

**FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY
NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT**

Date: July 6, 2012

REGULATION TITLE AND NUMBER: New Academic Degree Program and Other Academic Program Approval (3.002).

SUMMARY: The Division of Academic Affairs is requesting approval to amend FAU Regulation 3.002, New Academic Degree Program and Other Academic Program Approval. In 2011, the Board of Governors amended its regulation on new degree programs to require that BOTs “shall ensure that university policies for new degree program planning and approval are consistent with this regulation and provide a copy of the policies to the Board of Governors Office.” Accordingly, this regulation amendment would require the Provost to maintain the policies required by the BOG in compliance with the BOG regulation. This regulation was last updated in 1989. This regulation amendment shall be effective August 6, 2012.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION: The full text of the proposed regulation is attached below to this Notice. The full text of the existing regulation is posted on FAU’s website at www.fau.edu/regulations. In addition, the full text of the proposed regulation and current regulation are available upon request to the Office of the General Counsel, which can be contacted at (561) 297-3007 or GeneralCounsel@fau.edu.

AUTHORITY FOR THE REGULATION: Article IX of the Florida Constitution; the Board of Governors Regulation Development Procedure dated July 21, 2005.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THE REGULATION: Diane Alperin, PhD, Associate Provost, Department of Academic Affairs

COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. In response, the University may solicit additional written comments, schedule a public hearing, withdraw or modify the proposed regulation in whole or in part after notice, or proceed with adopting the regulation. The comments must identify the regulation(s) on which you are commenting:

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION IS: David Kian, Office of the General Counsel, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Florida, 33431, (561) 297-3007 (phone), (561) 297-2787 (fax), GeneralCounsel@fau.edu.

~~(B) — This Regulation also stipulates that each university Board of Trustees has the responsibility and authority to promulgate policies consistent with applicable accreditation standards for the approval and implementation of other types of academic programs as defined in Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.011(2), with copies to the Board of Governors, Office of Academic and Student Affairs. Other types of academic programs include:~~

- ~~1. — Program Majors, Program Minors, Concentrations, Areas of Emphasis, Tracks, and College Credit Certificates within an existing bachelor's, master's, advanced master's, specialist, and doctoral degree program.~~
- ~~2. — College Credit Certificate programs when more than half of the courses are not part of the curriculum of an existing degree program.~~
- ~~3. — Establishment and annual review of off-campus degree program offerings outside of its assigned service area, to include: programs offered through continuing education, degree programs offered under contract as sponsored credit for an external public or private entity, and degree programs offered in foreign countries.~~
- ~~4. — Non-college credit programs offered through continuing education that lead to a certificate recognized as a credential for employment.~~

~~(2) PROCEDURES for New Academic Degree Program Authorization~~

~~(A) — Within the parameters of the 2006-2013 Strategic Plan for Florida Atlantic University, the department should initiate development of new academic degree programs. If the proposal is for a professional or doctoral program, the department should engage a qualified external consultant to conduct a comprehensive study. The formal written review needs to be concluded prior to consideration by the Board of Trustees. Program development should be formally initiated by completion of the most current version of the Florida Board of Governors Request to Offer a New Degree Program, and submitted to the appropriate College faculty committee and subsequently to the Dean for review and initial approval. During this initial stage, consultation with the Provost's Office is encouraged, particularly in regards to issues of budget and enrollment.~~

~~(B) — Such requests should be analyzed by the appropriate coll~~

~~(A) — Program Majors, Program Minors, Concentrations, Areas of Emphasis, Tracks, and College Credit Certificates within an existing bachelor’s, master’s, advanced master’s, specialist and doctoral degree program will be reviewed by the appropriate college and University Faculty Senate Committees, and approved by the University Faculty Senate and the Provost.~~

~~(B) — College Credit Certificate programs will be reviewed by the appropriate college and University Faculty Senate Committees, and approved by the University Faculty Senate and the Provost.~~

~~(C) — Establishment and annual review of off-campus degree program offerings outside of its assigned service area, including programs offered through continuing education or under contract as sponsored credit for an external public or private entity, and degree programs conducted in foreign countries, will be conducted by the appropriate college. All these degree programs will have been previously approved under the procedure for New Academic Degree Program Authorization described above. Study Abroad Programs, which are not typically degree programs, are approved by the college, the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and the Provost, in consultation with the Office of International Programs.~~

~~(D) — Non-college credit programs offered through continuing education that lead to a~~