

NOTICE OF AMENDED REGULATION

April 20, 2016

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Division of Universities
University of North Florida

REGULATION TITLE:

Admissions – First Time in College

REGULATION NO.:

2.0381R

SUMMARY:

The amendment is being amended in order to conform and align with BOG regulation 6.002.

FULL TEXT:

The full text of the regulation being proposed is attached.

AUTHORITY:

Resolution of the Florida Board of Governors dated January 7, 2003 and BOG Regulations 1.001 and 6.002.

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Any comments regarding the amendment of the regulation must be sent in writing to the contact person on or before May 13, 2016, to receive full consideration.



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA

| Regulation Number | Subject | Effective Date | Revised Date |
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| 2.0381R | Admissions – First Time in College (“FTIC”) | 07/01/08 | 03/04/14 |
| Responsible Unit/Division: Academic Affairs | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Regulation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revision of Existing Regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Minor/Technical Revision of Existing Regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Reaffirmation of Existing Regulation | | | |

I. OBJECTIVE & PURPOSE

This regulation applies to first-time, degree-seeking freshmen as defined as students who have earned a high school diploma or its equivalent and have earned less than 12 semester hours of transferable college credit after high school graduation. This excludes college credits earned during high school completion through accelerated mechanisms such as IB, AICE, AP, and dual enrollment classes.

II. STATEMENT OF REGULATION

- ~~(1) Eligibility for admissions does not guarantee admissions to the University of North Florida as the University of North Florida reserves the right to require more stringent admissions requirements than the minimums expressed by the State of Florida.~~
- ~~(2) Normally a high school diploma from a Florida public or regionally accredited high school, or its equivalent shall be required for admissions to the University of North Florida. Students completing high school graduation from a home education program according to Section 1002.41, F.S., are eligible for admissions; however, the University of North Florida may require additional information and documentation to verify a student’s eligibility. Students admitted under early admissions in accordance with the Board of Governors regulations are exempted from this requirement while they are classified as early admissions students.~~
- ~~(3) A student applying for admissions who is participating in a non-traditional high school program must present to the University of North Florida credentials judged to be equivalent to those described in regulation. A student whose~~

high school educational program is not measured in Carnegie Units must present a test score of at least 1010 on the SAT I, critical reading and math sections portions, or the equivalent composite score on the ACT of 21. Students with test scores from older versions of the SAT/ACT may be required to retest for admissions purposes.

- (4) All FTIC students must submit scores from either the SAT reasoning test or from the ACT test.
- (5) Students may be considered eligible for admissions in one of the following ways, except as provided in subsection (3) above:

(A) FTIC Undergraduate Admission. Students shall be considered as meeting minimum SUS eligibility requirements in one of the following ways:

(a) Standard Admission: FTIC students applying to the SUS may be considered for admission based on the following criteria:

1. An FTIC student may be admitted if he/she has a high school grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or higher on a 4.00 scale as calculated by the university, and presents official SAT Reasoning Test and/or ACT plus Writing scores. Beginning fall 2014, the student must include the Writing section of the ACT if utilizing the ACT to meet this standard.

OR

2. An FTIC student may be admitted if he/she has a high school GPA of 2.5–2.99 on a 4.00 scale as calculated by the university. Course work from which a student has withdrawn with passing grades will not be included in the calculation. In addition to achieving the minimum GPA, a student must achieve the minimum scores for each SAT Reasoning Test or ACT Writing section as outlined below:

- SAT Critical Reading \geq 460 or ACT Reading \geq 19;
- SAT Mathematics \geq 460 or ACT Mathematics \geq 19, and
- SAT Writing \geq 440 or ACT Combined English/Writing \geq 18.

(B) An FTIC applicant must have completed the secondary academic unit requirements as in Table One:

Table One

| Students Entering High School Prior to July 1, 2007 | Students High School July 1, 2007 or later |
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| 4 credits—English/Language Arts (three of which must have included substantial writing requirements) | 4 credits—English/Language Arts (three of which must have included substantial writing requirements) |
| 3 credits—Mathematics at or above the Algebra I level | 4 credits—Mathematics at or above the Algebra I level |
| 3 credits—Natural Science (two of which must have included substantial laboratory requirements) | 3 credits—Natural Science (two of which must have included substantial laboratory requirements) |

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| <p>3 credits—Social Science (to include anthropology, history, civics, political science, economics, sociology, psychology, and/or geography)</p> | <p>3 credits—Social Science (to include anthropology, history, civics, political science, economics, sociology, psychology, and/or geography)</p> |
| <p>2 credits—Foreign Language Each FTIC student admitted to UNF is expected to demonstrate competency of a foreign language or American Sign Language equivalent to the second high school level or higher. A limited number of students not meeting this requirement may be admitted to the University of North Florida as long as they are Florida residents for tuition purposes and they fulfill the foreign language requirement prior to completion of the baccalaureate degree.</p> | <p>2 credits—Foreign Language Each FTIC student admitted to UNF is expected to demonstrate competency of a foreign language or American Sign Language equivalent to the second high school level or higher. A limited number of students not meeting this requirement may be admitted to the University of North Florida as long as they are Florida residents for tuition purposes and they fulfill the foreign language requirement prior to completion of the baccalaureate degree.</p> |
| <p>3 credits—Additional Academic Electives (in any combination of courses listed in the Department of Education Course Code Directory, accessible at www.fldoe.org/articulation/ as follows: 1. Up to three credits in Level II courses in English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Natural Science, Social Science, Foreign Language, or Fine Arts; Level III courses in any discipline; or Dual Enrollment courses for which both high school and postsecondary credits are granted; OR 2. At least one credit from 1. above and up to two credits in courses grade nine or above in ROTC/Military Training, or at least one credit from 1. above and up to two credits of equivalent courses in any discipline as determined by the Articulation Coordinating Committee and listed in the Florida Counseling for Future Education Handbook, accessible at www.fldoe.org/articulation/).</p> | <p>2 credits—Additional Academic Credits (in any combination of courses listed in the Department of Education Course Code Directory, accessible at www.fldoe.org/articulation/ as follows: 1. Two credits from among Level II courses listed in the Department of Education Course Code Directory in English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Natural Science, Social Science, Foreign Language, Fine Arts; Level III courses listed in the Directory in any academic or career and technical education credited discipline; or Dual Enrollment courses for which both high school and postsecondary academic credits are granted; OR 2. One credit from 1. above and one credit from grade nine or above in ROTC/Military Training, or an equivalent course in any discipline as determined by the Articulation Coordinating Committee and listed in the Florida Counseling for Future Education Handbook, accessible at www.fldoe.org/articulation/).</p> |

~~(6) Applicants who do not meet the minimum admission requirements may be eligible for admissions through a student profile assessment which considers additional factors including, but not limited to, the following: family educational background, socioeconomic status, and graduation from a low performing high school, graduation from an International Baccalaureate program, geographic location, and special talents. These additional factors shall not include preferences in the admissions process for applicants on the basis of race, national origin, or sex. The student may be admitted if, in the judgment of the Office of Admissions or appropriate Faculty Admissions Committee, there is sufficient evidence that the student can be expected to succeed here at the University of North Florida. Students admitted as profile assessments are admitted as exceptions and shall not exceed 10 percent of the total system FTICs students for that year.~~

~~(7) No more than 50% of the students admitted to the University of North Florida as Profile Assessments (exceptions) may enroll without the equivalent of two high school credits in a foreign language sequence. Any student admitted to the University of North Florida without meeting the foreign language requirement must earn 8 to 10 semester hours in an approved foreign language or equivalent prior to completing 60 credit hours at the University of North Florida.~~

~~(8) Talented Twenty: Within space and fiscal limitations, a student applying for admission who is a graduate of a public Florida high school, has completed (18) required high school units as listed in this regulation, ranks in the top 20% of his/her graduating class, and who has submitted the appropriate SAT/ACT test scores prior to enrollment shall be admitted to a university in the State University System. A Talented Twenty Student is not guaranteed admissions to the university of first choice. The SUS will use class rank as determined by the Florida Department of Education.~~

~~(9) Any changes that the Board of Trustees of the University of North Florida makes to institutional regulations will be reviewed annually by the Board of Governors. Any increase in standards must be included in the undergraduate catalog and posted on the University of North Florida web site.~~

1. The University of North Florida's regulation is in direct alignment with the Florida Board of Governors BOG 6.002 *Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshman*, which governs decisions regarding the admission of all first-time degree seeking students.

2. Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, the ultimate decision regarding the admission of any and all first-time-in-college students shall rest with the University of North Florida and the University of North Florida shall be free to use any criteria as it may deem appropriate in making such admissions decisions. Additional information regarding this policy can be directed to the Office of Admissions at the University of North Florida.

Please reference the University of North Florida's Academic Standing policy for returning students.

Specific Authority: Florida Board of Governors Regulation 6.002 and Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; History – Formerly 6C-2.42, and 6C-6.02, 11-18-70, 5-27-74, 12-17-74, 6-25-80, 3-21-82, 4-16-84, 4-14-86, 4-20-87, 10-18-88, 1-23-90, 1-7-91, 9-15-91, 8-4-92, 5-17-95, 11-24-95, 9-19-00, 11-28-00, Amended and Renumbered as 6.002 9-27-07, 01-28-10, 11-08-12, 11-21-2013. Approved as amended by the BOT XXXXXXXX and the BOG January 21, 2016. F.S. 1007.22 and 1007.27; Formerly 6C9-3.004; Approved by the BOT April 17, 2008 and by the BOG June 18, 2008. Approved as amended by the BOT January 7, 2014 and the BOG March 4, 2014.