



**FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

POLICY TITLE

Programs Offered Outside FGCU's Five-County Service Area

POLICY STATEMENT

The Florida Board of Governors (BOG) has determined that each state university system institution should have a policy concerning the implementation and 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. This policy is intended specifically to address BOG regulation 6C-8.011(5)(c). Currently FGCU does not offer any programs that fall into this category but it may choose to do so in the future and hence the need for the policy framework now. Under this policy the unit seeking to establish such a program will follow all existing policies and procedures of the university and the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) as they may apply.

RESPONSIBLE EXECUTIVE

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

RESPONSIBLE OFFICE(S)

- Office of Curriculum and Instruction
- Office of Academic Affairs

WHO SHOULD READ THIS POLICY

All faculty and academic administrators seeking to offer programs in the aforementioned categories.

PROCEDURES

If the program to be offered is new, i.e., is not currently offered by the university, it will be reviewed by the Office of Curriculum and Instruction according to its procedures and those of the relevant curriculum team of the University Faculty Senate. If the program to be offered is currently offered by the unit, then that unit's leadership will seek the approval of the Provost who will review the adequacy of the proposed program in terms

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of mission fit, goals, quality, fiscal integrity, and evidence that the unit has or will have the administrative capacity to offer the program in accord with all relevant university, BOG, and SACS policies and procedures.

The Provost in consultation with the unit's leadership will annually review the status of the offering to ensure that it continues to meet its goals successfully and in a fiscally sound manner so as not to adversely affect resources or programs within the university's primary service area.

History: This the first policy to address this subject matter

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