

8.004 Academic Program Coordination

(1) Definitions-

- (a) Council of Academic Vice Presidents (CAVP): The CAVP membership is comprised of the Chief Academic Officers at each institution in the State University System (SUS).
- (b) CAVP Academic Coordination Group (ACG): The CAVP ACG membership is comprised of representatives from each SUS institution, appointed by their respective Chief Academic Officer. The ACG group is chaired by a member of CAVP.

(2) The Office of the Board of Governors shall coordinate with the CAVP and CAVP ACG to ensure collaboration, articulation, and coordination of academic program delivery across the State University System and to inform both institutional and system-level strategic planning by assessing the following:

- (a) Whether appropriate levels of postsecondary access are provided for students across the state of Florida to enable citizens to pursue degrees in selected fields;
- (b) Opportunities for the collaborative design and delivery of degree programs utilizing shared resources across multiple State University System institutions;
- (c) Whether academic program duplications are warranted; and
- (d) Potential impacts of any proposed academic program closure.

(3) The Office of the Board of Governors shall collaborate with CAVP and CAVP ACG to conduct quarterly reviews of pre-proposals for new academic degree programs under consideration for implementation at SUS institutions, a comprehensive review of all academic programs offerings at least once every three years, and review other system-wide academic policies and issues as needed.

(4) When a state university desires to offer a college-credit degree or certificate program, or substantial parts of a program, that requires a substantial physical presence, at a location in Florida other than an existing Main Campus, Type I Campus, Type II Campus, or Type III Campus, the university shall provide to the Chancellor and the Chair of the Board of Governors a letter of intent to expand program offerings as soon as practicable. Prior to providing a letter of intent, the university may engage in planning activities designed to assess whether the proposed program furthers an educational or workforce need; whether sufficient student demand exists for the proposed program; and whether the proposed program can be implemented within existing university resources or, if not, an assessment of the anticipated cost of the new program and its impact on th

- (a) The Chancellor, in consultation with the Chair and affected institutions within

intent to determine whether the proposed program is market-driven, mission-justified, and would not constitute an unnecessary duplication of academic programs or a waste of state resources. If the Chancellor determines that the

proposed program meets these criteria, then the program may be implemented.

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