

**FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION**

DATE: June 22, 2023

REGULATION NUMBER AND TITLE: 7.008 Waivers and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees

SUMMARY:

This regulation is being amended pursuant to statutory changes in two bills:

1. Senate Bill 7026 allows universities to waive the out-of-state fee for a student who is an intercollegiate athlete receiving an athletic scholarship.
2. Senate Bill 266 expands ts B-3 (a)(b)T1grams eligible for the Programs of B-Strategic Emphasis Waiver program to include state-approved teacher preparation programs and allows students to continuB-3 (a)(t)6 (o)-3 (r)11 (3 (a)ce)-3 (ive)6 (a)-3 (wa)-3 (

Regulation Development Procedure dated March 23, 2006.

REGULATION: Tim Jones, Senior Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration

COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation on which you are commenting:

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ociated fees waived must be based on regulations that are adopted by the university board of trustees and where applicable, consistent with regulations adopted by the Board of Governors.

(2) Each university shall have an individual designated as the university liaison to handle student issues and/or questions regarding waivers and exemptions. The name and contact information of the liaison must be published on the university's website and provided to each student who is exempt from the payment of student tuition and fees pursuant to section 1009.25, Florida Statutes.

(3) The following categories of tuition and fee exemptions and waivers are established pursuant to Florida Statute and are considered mandatory:

(a) Deceased Law Enforcement, Correctional, or Correctional Probation Officers Employed by the State or Political Subdivision thereof – Each university board of trustees shall waive certain educati

may receive the benefits provided in this subsection.

technician's or paramedic's life while engaged in the performance of his or her duties on or after July 1, 2019.

2. A student who becomes eligible for benefits under the provisions of this paragraph while enrolled in a university **must** be in good standing with the institution to **receive** the benefits provided herein.
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neither committed the act, nor did not aid, abet or act as an accomplice or accessory to the act or offense.

(g) **Acceleration** – Each university board of trustees shall exempt from the payment of registration, tuition, and laboratory fees, any student who chooses to participate in dual enrollment programs and who meets eligibility requirements in accordance with Board of Governors Regulation 6.006 and university policy. Early admission is a form of dual enrollment through which eligible secondary students enroll in a postsecondary institution on a full-time basis in courses that are creditable toward the high ss and(r)-4(s)4(es)3(t)-3(hat ar)-6(e c)3(r)-4(e

exempt from the payment of tuition and fees, including lab fees, any student who meets the definition of homeless children and youths in section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. section 11434a. This includes a student who would otherwise meet the requirements of this section, as determined by a university, but for his or her residence in college or university dormitory housing. Documentation of a student's circumstance must be considered to be adequate if it meets the standards under 20 U.S.C. section 1087uu-2(a). A university must maintain the original documentation submitted by the student regarding his or her eligibility for the tuition and fee exemption under section 1009.25, Florida S185.4297.T62 0 612 792 reW*nBT/F2 12 Tf1 0 0 1 102.9

situations where admissions or fi

wide total enrollment of non-resident students as limited in Regulation 7.006.

6. A student who is granted an out of state fee waiver is not eligible for state financial aid.
7. Each university shall, within the non-resident student enrollment system-

students system-wide each academic year. The Chancellor will

- natural or adopted parent or legal guardian of the student's parent.
- (b) Earns a high school diploma comparable to a Florida standard high school diploma, or its equivalent, or completes a home education program.
 - (c)
 - (1) Achieves an SAT combined score no lower than the 89th national percentile on the SAT;
 - (2) Achieves an ACT score concordant to the required SAT score in sub-subparagraph (a), using the latest published national concordance table developed jointly by the College Board and ACT, Inc.; or
 - (3) If a state university accepts the Classic Learning Test (CLT) for admission purposes, achieves a CLT score concordant to the required SAT score specified in sub-subparagraph (a), using the latest published scoring comparison developed by Classic Learning Initiatives.
 - (d) Beginning with the students who initially enroll in the 2022 fall academic term and thereafter, enrolls as a full-time undergraduate student at a state university in the fall academic term immediately following high school graduation.
2. The waiver under this subsection is applicable for up to 110 percent of the number of required credit hours of the degree program for which the student is enrolled.
 3. Before waiving the out-of-state fee, the state university shall require the student or the student's parent, if the student is a dependent child, to provide a written declaration pursuant to s. 92.525(2), F.S., attesting to the student's familial relationship to a grandparent who is a legal resident and any other corroborating documentation required by the Board of Governors. A state university is not required to independently verify the statements contained in each declaration if the signatory declares it to be true under the penalties of perjury as required by s. 92.525(2), F.S. However, the state university may refer any signed declaration suspected of containing fraudulent representations to law enforcement.
 4. Beginning with students who initially enroll for the 2022-2023 academic year or thereafter, a state university shall, within the nonresident student enrollment system-wide, prioritize the enrollment of a student who is granted a fee waiver under this subsection over an out-of-state student who is not eligible for an out-of-state fee waiver if the students have substantially similar academic and other credentials used in determining admission to the state university.
 5. Fee waivers granted pursuant to this subsection may not exceed 350 students system-wide each academic year; the Chancellor will determine the maximum number of waivers for this program per

institution.

6. For purposes of this program, fees shall be t

may be accumulated over multiple semesters provided at least 100 contact hours of direct supervision is provided per semester.

4. To be eligible for a Certificate, the internship program must be an essential part of the course of instruction and must be required as part of the degree.
5. Each university shall develop procedures and policies to govern the issuance, distribution, security, and redemption of certificate.00000912 0 612 792 reW*ñBT

may be entitled to a waiver of the out-of-state fee if the credit hours generated by such students are non-state fundable and the cost for the program of study is recovered from the fees charged to all students.

(i) Admissions Deposit – A university that establishes an admissions deposit must adopt policies that provide for the waiver of this deposit on the basis of financial hardship.

(j) Intercollegiate Student Athletes – A university may waive the out-of-state fee for a student who is an intercollegiate athlete receiving an athletic scholarship.

(5) Each university shall report the purpose, number, authority, and value of all fee waivers and exemptions granted annually in a format prescribed by the Board of Governors. For these reporting purposes, there is no differentiation between waivers and exemptions.

Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; History–Formerly BOR Rule 6C-7.008 and 6C-2.53, Amended 7-19-74, Amended and Renumbered 12-17-74, Amended 1-10-78, 9-28-81, 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-7.08, Amended 12-25-86, 9-7-87, 12-9-91, 11-9-92, 9-23-93, 8-1-94, 10-10-95, 4-16-96, 12-15-97, Amended and Renumbered as 7.008 9-25-08, Amended 12-10-09, 9-17-10, 11-08-12, 11-21-13, 11-06-14, 09-03-15, 09-22-16, 08-31-17, 10-30-19, 03-23-21, 09-1-21, 8-26-22_x-xx-xx.