SUBPART 3-2
PROGRAMMING RESPONSIBILITIES

Sec. 3-201. Matters Reserved to the Board. Except as otherwise provided in this Subpart, the Board, as the body corporate having ultimate responsibility for the University, reserves to itself the responsibility to review and take final action on the following:

(1) The inauguration of a new academic program leading to a degree (“degree program”) or a new long term (more than one year) program leading to a diploma or other academic credit (“non-degree credit program”).

(2) The elimination of an existing degree program or long term non-degree credit program.

(3) The establishment of a new approved permanent (non-temporary) site at which FSU degree programs and/or long term non-degree credit programs may be offered (“Board-Approved Site”).

(4) The offering of any long-term program (credit or non-credit) outside the United States or Canada.

(5) The elimination of the University’s Big Rapids campus as a permanent site at which an existing degree program and/or long term non-degree credit program is offered.

(6) The entering into of any agreement for the conduct of programming, or assistance in the conduct of programming, or the rendering of educational services, outside the United States and Canada, except with respect to (i) a general non-binding memorandum of understanding or similar non-binding agreement, (ii) a student and/or faculty exchange agreement, (iii) a short term (not more than one year) non-credit program, or (iv) a short term non-degree credit program.

Note: It has been a consistent practice to submit every academic program for Board review and approval, including requirements for certificate, associate, baccalaureate or post-baccalaureate degrees to be granted upon completion of the proposed program. References on all such actions are on file in the Office of the Board.

Prior Board Action:

March 25, 2011.

Sec. 3-202. Matters Delegated to the President, or His/Her Designee(s). The Board of Trustees hereby delegates to the President, or his/her designee(s), the authority to review and take final action on the following:
(1) The offering of an existing degree program or an existing long term non-degree credit program at an additional Board-Approved Site, or at a different Board-Approved Site, or at an additional, or (subject to subsection 3-201(5)) different, temporary site (as defined in subsection 3-202(3), below) approved by the President or his/her designee(s).

(2) The development of non-credit programs and short term non-degree credit programs, and the offering of non-credit programs and short term non-degree credit programs at Board-Approved Sites and/or at other sites approved by the President or his/her designee(s); provided that Board approval shall be obtained before offering any long term program (credit or non-credit) outside the United States or Canada.

(3) As used in this subpart, the term “temporary” used in reference to a site means a site which is intended for use during a period which does not exceed the longer of one year or one full cycle of the first program to be offered at the site, but which shall in no event exceed four years of total use.

Sec. 3-203. Informational Report Required. The Academic Affairs/Student Affairs Committee of the Board shall be kept informed on not less than a semi-annual basis as to the development and status of each program developed or offered pursuant to subsection 3-202(1) or subsection 3-202(2).

Sec. 3-204. Development, Implementation and Changing of Specific Courses of Study and Curricula. The Board of Trustees hereby delegates to the President, in consultation with the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Deans and the Academic Senate pursuant to the Academic Senate Charter, responsibility for developing, implementing and changing specific courses of study and curricula to be offered by the University for approved programs, except at FSU-Grand Rapids. The Board of Trustees hereby delegates to the President, in consultation with the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Vice Chancellors for FSU-Grand Rapids, the Deans, and where appropriate, the Academic Senate pursuant to the Academic Senate Charter, responsibility for developing, implementing and changing specific courses of study and curricula for approved programs to be offered at FSU-Grand Rapids. All courses of study to be offered by the University shall conform to Board policy.

Sec. 3-205. Establishment of New Academic Minors. The establishment of new academic minors does not require prior Board approval, but the Academic Affairs/Student Affairs Committee must be advised of all new academic minors prior to implementation.

Cross References:

Sec. 2-409. Functions of the Academic Affairs / Student Affairs Committee Relating to Academic Affairs.

Academic Affairs Policy, Program Academic Minors

Prior Board Action:


December 18, 1998.


Entire Subpart 3-2 included in October 19, 2001 Codification, Phase I.

Entire Subpart 3-2 included in October 22, 2004 Codification, Phase II.