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TO: Deans, Department Chairs, School Directors and Faculty

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SUBJECT: Sponsored For-College-Credit Courses and Programs

Florida Board of Governors (FBOG) Regulation 8.002, Self-Supporting and Market Tuition Rate Program and Course Offerings, defines sponsored credit courses and programs that are "self-supporting college credit offerings where substantially all the direct costs are paid by the external sponsoring entity, where there is no direct expenditure of E&G funds for the conduct of the programs, and where no fees or other assessments are collected from students by the sponsoring entity, the university, or any other entity." FBOG Regulation 8.002 also stipulates that each university board of trustees is authorized "to waive any tuition, associated fees, and material and supply fees for students participating in sponsored credit courses and programs" pursuant to its own adopted Regulation. Florida Atlantic University (FAU) Regulation 8.006, Waiver of Tuition and Other Fees, authorizes the University President, or Provost, to "waive tuition, non-resident tuition, or associated fees for purposes that support and enhance the mission of the University." Additionally, this Regulation requires an annual report to the FAI Board of Trustees (BoT) as to the "purpose, number, and value of all fee waivers granted annually, in a format prescribed by the BOG".

The development of sponsored for-college-credit courses and programs with corporations and companies and other similar organizations fits with the mission of Florida Atlantic University. They expand opportunities for those interested in higher education and career advancement, provide financial support for prospective students, and reflect active engagement with the community. The process for approval of sponsored courses and programs at FAU is outlined in a Provost's Memorandum, New Academic Degree and Other Program Approval, September 27, 2018 ((3) (B) (c)). As part of this process, a proposal may also request approval of the waiver of tuition, non-resident tuition, or associated fees for these courses or programs. Units need to discuss proposed waivers with the Executive Director of Online and Continuing Education/Office of the Provost prior to submission of the Contract/Agreement/Statement of Work/Memorandum of Understanding to the Office of the General Counsel for review.

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