

**THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION

REGULATION NO.: FIU-406

REGULATION TITLE: Foreign Student Admissions.

SUMMARY: This proposed regulation sets forth the current admission requirements applicable to foreign students, including the required language proficiency, the financial requirement and the insurance requirements.

TEXT OF REGULATION: The full text of the Proposed Regulation can be viewed below and on the website of The Florida International University Board of Trustees, <http://bot.fiu.edu/regulations/>. If you would like a copy of the Proposed Regulation, please contact Eli Deville, Coordinator, Administrative Services, Office of the General Counsel, (305) 348-2103.

AUTHORITY: Resolution of the Florida Board of Governors dated January 7, 2003.

NAME OF PERSON INITIATING PROPOSED REGULATION: Cristina Mendoza, Vice President and General Counsel.

ANY PERSON SEEKING TO COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED REGULATION MUST SUBMIT COMMENTS IN WRITING TO THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED BELOW. ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CONTACT PERSON WITHIN 14 CALENDAR DAYS OF THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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THE FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION IS PROVIDED BELOW:

~~6C8-3.006~~ FIU-406 Foreign Student Admissions; ~~Exchange Visitor Insurance Requirements.~~

(1) A foreign student must meet the regular admission requirements as set forth in Rule University regulations. ~~6C8-3.002, 6C8-3.003 and 6C8-3.004, F.A.C.~~ In addition, the student must show evidence of English proficiency by presenting:

(a) A minimum score of 500 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL);

or

(b) An English Language Institute ~~ELS~~ Language Center Certification of satisfactory completion at the 109 level of proficiency; or

(c) Successful completion of 30 semester hours (45 quarter hours) ~~(30 semester hours)~~ of course work in an American college or university, including 6 semester hours (9 quarter hours) ~~(6 semester hours)~~ of English composition.

(2) A Declaration and Certification of Finances must be submitted before the Certificate of Eligibility will be issued by the University. The total funds available to the student for the first and/or second academic years must at least equal the total estimates of institutional costs and living expenses. For foreign applicants living outside the U.S., the Declaration and Certification of Finances must be received by the University at least two months prior to the beginning of the term ~~quarter~~ for which student expects to register. If the student is living in the U.S. this document is due at least one month before the first day of classes.

(3) ~~Regulations governing~~The admission of foreign students will also otherwise comply with Rule the Florida Board of Governors regulations ~~6C-6.009, F.A.C.~~, including the insurance requirements applicable to students in F non-immigrant status.

~~(4) In compliance with its responsibilities under 22 C.F.R., § 514.14, the University~~

~~requires that exchange visitors with J-1 immigration status who are sponsored by the University shall maintain a policy or policies of medical insurance, including repatriation and medical evacuation coverage, for themselves and their accompanying J-2 dependents for the full duration of their sponsored enrollment or program. For purposes of this rule~~regulation~~ the term “exchange visitor” means a citizen of a foreign country who is sponsored by the University as either a student, teacher, professor, researcher, short-term scholar, specialist, visitor or other category of exchange visitor status as defined by the United States Information Agency.~~

~~(a) Only the following insurance policies will be considered adequate to meet this requirement:~~

- ~~1. The University approved policy offered for purchase by exchange visitors; or,~~
- ~~2. The insurance offered as part of the standard benefits package to exchange visitors who are University employees if such insurance covers their dependents and is supplemented by a separate policy providing medical evacuation and repatriation.~~

~~(b) Proof of this type of insurance coverage for exchange visitors and all accompanying J-2 dependents shall be demonstrated as follows:~~

- ~~1. For exchange visitors other than students, proof of insurance coverage shall be provided to the Office of International Student and Scholar Services prior to the issuance of a United States Information Agency Form IAP-66~~DS-2019~~ by the Office of International Student and Scholar Services.~~

- ~~2. For exchange visitor students who are not degree-seeking students, proof of insurance coverage shall be provided to the Office of International Student and Scholar Services before a United States Information Agency Form IAP-66~~DS-2019~~ is issued by~~

~~the Office of International Student and Scholar Services.~~

~~3. For exchange visitor students who are admitted as degree-seeking students, proof of insurance coverage shall be provided to the Office of International Student and Scholar Services when the exchange visitor student arrives in the United States and prior to registering for classes for the semester in which the exchange visitor student has been admitted.~~

~~(c) The Form IAP 66DS 2019 will be issued only for the stated period of insurance coverage. Proof of the extension of major medical, repatriation and medical evacuation insurance must be provided prior to the issuance of the extended IAP 66DS 2019. Exchange visitors who are eligible for the insurance available to University employees must obtain coverage under subparagraph (4)(a)1., above, and demonstrate proof thereof to the Office of International Student and Scholar Services for themselves and any accompanying dependents until such time as their employee and dependent coverage becomes effective before the Office of International Student and Scholar Services will issue the Form IAP 66DS 2019.~~

~~(d) This ruleregulation should not be interpreted to mean that the University recommends or encourages any prospective exchange visitor to cancel existing insurance coverages. The insurance coverage required by this ruleregulation satisfies the requirements of the United States Information Agency, the State of Florida Board of RegentsGovernors and the University and may not cover all medical conditions which the exchange visitor and accompanying dependents may develop or the treatments which they require.~~

~~(e) Willful failure to maintain the required insurance coverage shall result in~~

~~termination of participation in the exchange visitor program and/or employment.~~

Specific Authority Board of Governors' Resolution dated January 7, 2003.~~1007.261 FS.~~
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