

**UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA
NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO REGULATION
UWF/REG 3.002 Admission to Graduate Programs
And Post-Baccalaureate Professional Students**

REGULATION TITLE: UWF/REG-3.002 Admission to Graduate Programs and Post-Baccalaureate Professional Students.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of the amendment is to update the current regulation to reflect recent changes in the governing Florida Board of Governors' regulation.

SUMMARY: In June 2008 the Florida Board of Governors amended its regulation 6.003, "Admission of Graduate and Post-baccalaureate Professional Students" allowing each State University System institution greater flexibility regarding admission criteria in its graduate programs. The proposed amendment to UWF/REG 3.002 reflects general changes in the Graduate Admissions process and updates outdated references and contact information.

AUTHORITY: Florida Board of Governors Resolution dated January 7, 2003; Florida Board of Governors Regulation Development Procedure; Florida Board of Governors' Regulation 6.003.

NAME OF UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING PROPOSED REGULATION

AMENDMENT: Dr. Richard Podemski, Associate Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION

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THE DATE THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED ON THE UWF BOARD OF TRUSTEES WEBSITE: April 28, 2009

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THIS REGULATION IS SET FORTH BELOW:

University of West Florida Regulation

UWF/REG-3.002 Admission to Graduate Programs and Post-Baccalaureate Professional Students.

- (1) ~~The University is~~ Admission requirements for graduate programs at The University of West Florida (“UWF”) are governed by the rules of the Department of Education, Florida Board of Governors’ Regents, Rule 6C6.003, F.A.C. Regulation 6.003 and shall be consistent with the mission of the University.
- (2) ~~Admission requirements for~~ graduate programs of students who meet minimal requirements are determined by the departments/faculties who that administer the programs and shall be consistent with the university-wide policy pertaining to admission of graduate and post-baccalaureate professional students. The university-wide graduate admissions policy and requirements shall be approved by the Provost upon recommendation by the University’s Graduate Council, Academic Council, and Faculty Senate. The university-wide graduate and post-baccalaureate student graduate admission ~~Graduate student applicants shall be informed in writing by a department if any additional departmental requirements apply. Such additional requirements are~~ shall be specified in the University catalog.
- (3) ~~Prospective students who have been denied admission to a graduate program at The University of West Florida~~ UWF may appeal, in writing, following procedures approved by the Provost and specified in the University catalog, to the chief academic officer of the appropriate college. The chief academic officer will refer the appeal to a committee composed of faculty members representing graduate disciplines in the college. The committee will make recommendations to the President, or his designee, whose decisions will be final.
- (4) UWF shall periodically review this regulation and policies pertaining to the admission of graduate and post-baccalaureate professional students to minimize unnecessary impediments to access, while maintaining academic quality and integrity.

Specific Authority: Florida Board of Governors Regulation 6.003, 120.53(1)(a), 240.227(1), 240.233(1) FS., 6C-6.003, F.A.C. Law Implemented 240.227(1), 240.227(9), 240.233(1) FS., 6C-6.003, F.A.C. History – New 10-1-75, Amended 1-2-79, Formerly 6C6-3.02.

History – ~~Formerly 6C6-3.002 adopted 10/1/75 as 6C6-3.002;~~ amended 1/2/79; ~~Converted to UWF/REG 3.002-7/21/05;~~ amended _____.