



Broward  
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## Policy Manual

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| <b>Title:</b> Substitution for Admission to Programs of Study and for Graduation Requirements for Students with Disabilities | <b>Number:</b><br>6Hx2-4.09 |
| <b>Legal Authority:</b> Fla. Statutes 240.152; 240.153<br>Fla. St. Bd. of Ed. Admin. Rules 6H-1.041                          | <b>Page:</b><br>1 of 2      |

**Eligibility for Substitutions.** Any person who is hearing impaired or visually impaired or who has a specific learning disability shall be eligible for reasonable substitution for any requirement for graduation or for admission into a program of study. Documentation to show that the person's failure to meet the requirement is related to the disability and where the failure to meet the graduation requirement or program admission requirement will not constitute a fundamental alteration in the nature of the program must be provided. For purposes of this policy, the terms *hearing impairment*, *visual impairment*, and *specific learning disability* shall be defined in the manner set forth in *Florida State Board of Education Administrative Rules*, Chapter 6H-1.041, as the rule may be amended, supplemented, or replaced from time to time.

**Restrictions.** The College will attempt to provide reasonable substitutions within the terms and intent of this policy. Factors such as accreditation standards, licensure or certification requirements, the significance of particular requirements to the program, and the availability of alternative means of achieving the purpose of the requirement are important considerations in the determination whether reasonable substitutions are available or whether a substitution would constitute a fundamental alteration in the nature of a program. For example, some programs establish external affiliations with organizations, such as hospitals or medical/dental offices, to provide important specialized training; in some instances, reasonable substitutions for such requirements may not be available. The granting of a substitution may not be construed as a representation that the substitution will meet the requirements of any testing, licensing, or certificating organization.

**Articulation with Other State Institutions.** The College shall accept all substitutions for particular students with disabilities which were previously granted by other accredited state postsecondary institutions in Florida provided the substitutions are consistent with the curricular requirements of the College and any specialized accrediting agencies.

**Compliance with Accreditation Standards.** No substitution, which would constitute a violation of any requirement by an accrediting organization, shall be granted or accepted pursuant to this policy.

**Committee and Procedures.** The President is authorized to appoint one or more committees and to establish procedures to implement this policy in a manner consistent with

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| <b>Approved by the Board of Trustees</b> | <b>Date</b><br>06/27/01 | <b>President's Signature</b><br> | <b>Date</b><br>06/27/01 |
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