



University Community (faculty, staff and students)

SUBJECT (R*)	EFFECTIVE DATE (R*)	POLICY NUMBER (O*)
Regional Accreditation	February 15, 2018	300.013

POLICY STATEMENT (R*)

Florida International University maintains compliance with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) policy, Principles of Accreditation.

REASON FOR POLICY (O*)

SACSCOC is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as an agency whose accreditation enables its member institutions to seek eligibility to participate in Title IV programs. To maintain its recognition with the U.S. Department of Education, SACSCOC has incorporated federal requirements into its policy and procedures.

RELATED INFORMATION (O*)

AUTHORITY/SOURCE

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 3.006
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
SACSCOC Guideline “The Accreditation Liaison”

DEFINITIONS (R*)

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges is the recognized regional body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the Southern states. The Commission’s mission is the enhancement of educational quality throughout the region and it strives to improve the effectiveness of institutions by ensuring that institutions meet standards established by the higher education community that address the needs of society and students.

PROCEDURES (O*)

1. The President delegates responsibility for maintenance of SACSCOC Accreditation to the institution’s SACSCOC Liaison.
2. The SACSCOC Liaison’s responsibilities shall include those outlined by the SACSCOC Guideline “The Accreditation Liaison.”
3. The University President shall immediately inform the Chancellor upon verbal or written notification of any visit scheduled or any action taken by SACSCOC related to the institution’s compliance certification or interim report.
 - a) FIU shall provide a copy of the certification letter for accreditation reaffirmation to the Board of Governors immediately upon receipt from SACSCOC.
 - b) FIU shall provide the Office of the Board of Governors, upon request, with a copy of any institution response to SACSCOC.

RESPONSIBILITIES (O*)

FIU shall submit annually the State University System Accreditation Survey to the Office of the Board of Governors

HISTORY (R*)

Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const. History—Formerly 6C-2.57 and 6C-3.06, 11-18-70, 12-17-74, 8-11-85, Amended and Renumbered 1-29-09, Amended 1-22-15

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