NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION

Date: July 30, 2008

REGULATION TITLE: Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Withholding Degrees Pending Resolution of Violation(s), Withdrawing and Revoking Degrees

REGULATION NO.: 6C1-4.049

SUMMARY: A degree will be withheld if there is a pending charge involving an alleged violation of the Student Honor Code or Student Conduct Code. A degree may be withdrawn if the student has graduated and there was an incident before graduation involving an alleged violation of the Student Honor Code or the Student Conduct Code. The student will receive the degree once the matter is resolved and any sanctions (where appropriate) are completed unless the sanction is expulsion, in which case the degree will be revoked.


COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation you are commenting on.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION IS: Rebecca J. Holt, Administrative Assistant, 123 Tigert Hall, Post Office Box 113125, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32611, 352-392-1358 office, 352-392-4387 facsimile, regulations@ufl.edu.

NAME OF PERSON WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED REGULATION: Patricia Telles-Irvin, Vice President for Student Affairs.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION IS ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.
6C1 4.049 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code; Withholding Degrees

Pending Resolution of Violation(s), Withdrawing and Revoking Degrees.

(1) Withholding a degree.

(a) In accordance with the conditions set forth below, no degree will be conferred upon a student against whom charges have been filed involving an alleged violation of either the Student Honor Code or Student Conduct Code, provided the student has received notice of charges, notice of hearing or notice of sanctions to be imposed. No degree will be conferred until:

1. the action is resolved, including completion of any sanctions imposed, and
2. all degree requirements are fulfilled. In the event sanctions have already been imposed, no degree will be conferred upon such student until such time as the terms of any sanctions are met, and all degree requirements have been fulfilled.
3. If in the opinion of the Director of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution, the sanction imposed is likely to be a written reprimand, the degree may be conferred at the Director’s discretion.

(2) Withdrawing a degree.

(a) A degree may be withdrawn when a student has graduated and an incident occurred before graduation and the student has:

1. a pending conduct hearing that was scheduled prior to or as the student graduated, or
2. the university becomes aware after the student has graduated or received a degree of an incident involving an alleged violation of the Student Honor Code or Student Conduct Code that took place before the student graduated or before the student had received the degree from the university.

(b) The student shall receive the degree once the matter is resolved and any sanctions (where appropriate) are completed unless the sanction is expulsion, in which case the degree will be revoked.

(3) Revoking a degree. A former student may have his or her degree revoked under the provisions of (2)(b) above, which shall include but not be limited to a determination through the Student Honor Code process that a significant Student Honor Code violation took place, or upon a finding of research misconduct under Regulation 6C1-1.0101.


History: New ____________, Formerly 6C1-4.014.