NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEW REGULATION

DATE: March 17, 2022

REGULATION TITLE: Military Veterans and Active Duty Service Members
REGULATION NO.: 4.060

SUMMARY: In accordance with BOG Regulation 6.013, this proposed new regulation establishes University policy and process for students who are members of the United States Armed Forces to earn appropriate academic college credit for college-level training and education acquired in the military.

AUTHORITY: BOG Regulations 6.013 and 7.003

COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED NEW 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 NEW REGULATION IS: Courtney Brown, Legal Assistant II, 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 NEW REGULATION: Dr. Joseph Glover, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED NEW REGULATION IS ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.
4.060 Military Veterans and Active Duty Service Members.

(1) Purpose. Pursuant to BOG regulation 6.013, the purpose of this regulation is to outline the process for priority course registration for military veterans, withdrawal from courses due to military service for applicable military personnel and granting of academic college credit to students for military training and coursework.

(2) Priority Course Registration for Veterans. UF shall provide the same priority course registration offered to any segment of UF’s student population to students who are receiving GI Bill educational benefits and for the spouse or dependent children of a veteran to whom the GI Bill education benefits have been transferred.

(3) Student Withdrawal from Courses Due to Military Service.

(a) Active Military. This section (3) applies to those students who are currently on active duty with any branch of the United States Armed Forces who receive orders for reassignment to a different duty station or for extended absence from class during the semester in which they are currently enrolled due to performance of their military duties.

(b) Military Reserves. This section (3) also applies to those students serving in the National Guard, Air National Guard, or other military reserve unit who are called to active duty or training during the semester in which they are currently enrolled, excluding regularly scheduled weekend and annual training duty.
(c) Military Veterans. This section (3) also applies to those students who are veterans of the United States Armed Forces and who are recalled to active duty during the semester in which they are currently enrolled.

(d) Induction into Military Service. This section (3) also includes to those students who enlist in any branch of the United States Armed Forces and their induction falls within the semester they are currently enrolled.

(e) Any student defined in (a), (b) (c) or (d) above enrolled in a for-credit course at the University shall not incur academic or any financial penalties for the performance of their military service. The student shall be able to withdraw from a course and be eligible for a refund without academic penalty except in those cases where the student and the faculty member agree that completion is imminent and possible. If the course is no longer offered upon the student’s return to the University, an equivalent course may be selected. If the student chooses to withdraw, the student’s record shall indicate withdrawal due to active military service.

(4) Academic College Credit for Military Training, Courses, and Occupations.

(a) Credit will be granted to a student with military experience in accordance with the guidelines outlined in Articulation Coordinating Committee Policy Regarding the Evaluation and Awarding of Postsecondary Credit for Prior Military Training, Courses and Occupations.

(b) Credit will be granted to a student with military experience as noted in the Articulation Coordinating Committee Credit for Military Experience Equivalency List that is in effect at the time their military experience is evaluated for equivalency.

(c) If the student’s military training or coursework is deemed equivalent to a general education course, major or degree program requirement, then the credit should be considered as
meeting that requirement. Otherwise, the appropriate course credit, including free elective credit, will be granted.

(d) Subject to UF’s limit on amount and level of transfer credits allowed for a given degree, the student’s transfer credits from a Florida postsecondary degree granting institution that are applicable to the student’s major shall be accepted. Credits from all other postsecondary institutions shall be accepted if those credits are consistent with the current Articulation Coordinating Committee Credit for Military Training Equivalency List.

(e) Credit awarded for a student’s military education and training shall be noted on the student’s transcript and documentation of the credit equivalency evaluation shall be kept in the student’s file.

(f) Credit awarded for a student’s military education and training shall not be counted in the excess hours fee per BOG Regulation 7.003.

Authority: BOG Regulations 6.013 and 7.003.

History: New ________.