SOUTH FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

PROCEDURE NO. 3112

TITLE: AWARDING ACCELERATED/EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING CREDIT(S)

BASED ON POLICY: 3.11 EVALUATION OF TRANSFER AND ACCELERATED

LEARNING CREDIT

OFFICE OF PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY: VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC

AFFAIRS AND STUDENT SERVICES/

REGISTRAR

I. Purpose:

To evaluate accelerated/experiential learning credit of students in degree or certificate-seeking programs

II. Procedure:

South Florida State College (SFSC) provides for a review of the accelerated/experiential learning credit at the departmental level with a recommendation to be made to the registrar with an appeal option to the appropriate academic dean. The student will be notified by mail of the decision reached for accelerated/experiential credit in accordance with the College guidelines. The credit awarded will appear on the SFSC transcript as external credit in accordance with the College guidelines.

All students seeking credit based on accelerated/experiential learning must adhere to the following procedure:

- A. Only degree and certificate-seeking students who are currently enrolled and who have earned 25% of the student's program of study from SFSC are eligible to receive accelerated/experiential learning credit based on prior experience, such as jobs held, workshops, volunteer work, or a number of other types of experiences.
- B. A written request from the student identifying the courses that are to be reviewed and the reason for credit consideration is required. An accelerated learning course fee for each course may be required prior to evaluation.
- C. The student must submit the request and documentation or materials for the determination of credits to the Registrar's Office.

- D. The Registrar's Office reviews the documents to ensure all the necessary material is contained therein. If the documents are complete, they are submitted to the appropriate department chair/program manager. The chair/manager returns the evaluation to the Registrar's Office within 10 working days. If the documents are incomplete, the student is notified, accordingly.
- E. It is the responsibility of each department chair/program manager to coordinate the evaluation of accelerated/experiential learning credits within their respective departments. It is recommended that each dean develop minimum criteria to ensure consistency in the evaluation of credits among departments. All recommendations as to the awarding or denial of credits must be approved in writing by the dean or designee.
- F. Upon submittal of the department's recommendation, the Registrar's Office reviews the recommendation. If a question arises due to the department's recommendation, the issue is forwarded to the instructional supervisor or academic dean for clarification.
- G. If credit is granted, it is posted to the student's transcript as external credit in accordance with the College guidelines. All credits are awarded a grade of S (Satisfactory).
- H. A student who has been denied credits may take the course(s) at SFSC or may take either a College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) examination or a comprehensive department examination for each subject area in which he/she was denied.

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