FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY
NOTICE OF REGULATORY ACTION
December 10, 2008

REGULATION TITLE:
International Student Insurance

REGULATION NO.:
FGCU-PR4.008

SUMMARY:
This FGCU regulation ensures compliance with BOG Regulation 6.009, which specifies insurance requirements for international students in F and J visa status. The FGCU regulation provides guidelines for local implementation and outlines institutional standards for the operation of our insurance compliance process.

FULL TEXT:
The full text of the regulation being proposed is attached and can also be found at http://www.fgcu.edu/generalcounsel/promulgation.asp

LAW IMPLEMENTED:
§§1001.74(3)c,1001.74(7),1009.24(9), Florida Statutes; 22 CFR 62.14, BOG 6.009

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THE PROPOSED REVISED REGULATION:
Elaine Hozdik, Director of International Services

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL APPROVING THE PROPOSED REGULATION:
Dr. Ronald Toll, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED NEW REGULATION:
Diane St. John, Administrative Assistant, dstjohn@fgcu.edu; (239) 590-1101 (Phone), (239) 590-7470 (Facsimile); 10501 FGCU Blvd. South, Fort Myers, FL 33965-6565

ANY COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED NEW REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 5, 2009 BY 5:00 P.M. THE COMMENTS MUST IDENTIFY THE REGULATION ON WHICH YOU ARE COMMENTING.

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED ON THE FGCU WEBSITE ON DECEMBER 10, 2008
(1) General. The intent of this regulation is to establish the authority wherein the University may ensure compliance with the Board of Governors Regulation 6.009. Pursuant to the Florida Board of Governors Regulation 6.009, no international student in F or J non-immigrant status shall be permitted to register, or to continue enrollment, at the University without specified levels of medical insurance coverage for illness or accidental injury.

(2) University Provided Insurance. The University will secure a Student Medical Insurance Plan which offers insurance for international students in F or J non-immigrant status which meets Board of Governors’ Regulation requirements. The University will make a good-faith effort to secure the most cost-effective policy meeting requirements. All international students in F or J non-immigrant status will be enrolled in the university insurance program plan to ensure compliance with this regulation.

(3) Registration Hold. A registration hold shall be placed on any international student in F or J non-immigrant status until the student has provided proof of the required insurance.

(4) Exception. An international student in F or J non-immigrant status may elect to provide proof of alternative insurance which complies with the Board of Governors’ requirements through the use of the FGCU International Student Medical Insurance Compliance Form, completed by both the student and a representative of the alternative insurance company. The Form must be completed in its entirety and submitted to the International Services Office by August 1 for the fall semester and December 1 for the spring and spring/summer semesters. If the International Services Office of FGCU determines that the alternative insurance complies with the Board of Governor’s requirements, an exception shall be granted. No exceptions shall be granted for Forms submitted past the deadline, or for incomplete Forms.

Specific Authority:
§$1001.74(3)c,1001.74(7),1009.24(9), Florida Statutes
22 CFR 62.14, 6.009 Board of Governors

History of Regulation:
New

Effective Date of Regulation: