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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** School District Superintendents

Florida College System Presidents

Florida State University System Presidents

**FROM:** Manny Diaz, Jr.

**DATE:** August 23, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Updates for Rule 6A-10.024, Florida Administrative Code

(F.A.C.), Articulation Between and Among Universities, Florida Colleges and School Districts, and Approval of New Rule 6A-10.0244, F.A.C., Statewide

Award of Uniform Postsecondary Credit for Specified Training

Amendments to Rule 6A-10.024, F.A.C., Articulation Between and Among Universities, Colleges and Universities, were adopted by the State Board of Education on July 24, 2024. The amended rule is attached to this memorandum and may be accessed via the <u>Florida Administrative Register</u> (F.A.R) website. The updates to the rule include restructuring elements of Rule 6A-10.024, F.A.C., and the following:

- Lengthening the guaranteed time-period from three years to five years for a student's Applied Technology Diploma to articulate into credit toward an Associate of Science or Associate of Applied Science program;
- Identifying new courses that fulfill general education core curriculum and postsecondary civic literacy requirements in the <u>Credit by Exam list</u>; and
- Incorporating the new Specialized Associate of Arts Transfer degree as outlined in House Bill 1285 (2024) as a recognized postsecondary degree.

A portion of Rule 6A-10.024, F.A.C., was removed and that content approved as new Rule 6A-10.0244, F.A.C., a companion rule that addresses statewide uniform credit for specified occupational training. The new rule is attached and may be accessed <u>online</u>. It serves as a central location for all official lists for statewide uniform college credit that includes:

- Statewide Military Experience Equivalency List;
- Statewide Law Enforcement Experience Equivalency List; and
- Statewide Military Medical Specialist or Technician Experience List (Senate Bill 274 [2023]).

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Institutions must use these lists to award credit to former and current military veterans and law enforcement officers for training and work experience that they have completed. If the student's course(s) or occupation is found on the Military Equivalency List or the Law Enforcement Equivalency List, and the student's record demonstrates that the student successfully completed the course or held the associated rank, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must award the student the minimum number of credit hours or equivalent clock hours listed. To determine the postsecondary courses for which to award credit, institutions must consider each student's program of study and the institution's course offerings within each discipline area. When credits or clock hours are awarded, credit must be awarded in the following rank order: first, general education courses; second, program-specific courses; third, elective courses.

All rules and their associated lists described in this memo may be accessed through the Office of Articulation website. Please feel free to contact the Office of Articulation at Articulation@fldoe.org, if you have any questions.

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