District Board of Trustees Policy (BOT)



Policy Title:	Admissions to Florida Southwestern State College
Policy Number:	6Hx6:6.05
<u>Specific Authority:</u> Florida Statute Florida Administrative Code	1007.263; 943.0435; 1001.64(8)(a)
Policy Approved:	07/27/2000; 08/23/2005; 02/18/2009; 10/22/2013; 12/03/2019

Policy:

Admissions to degree and certificate programs shall be made in accordance with Florida Statutes and State Board of Education Rules. Admissions policies shall be published in the College Catalog.

The District Board of Trustees, in conjunction with the Admission Office, will determine admissions requirements for the purpose of matriculation to the College. The College reserves the right to restrict the size of enrollment in select programs based on limited facilities. Specific and detailed requirements for admission shall be published in the college catalog. The College reserves the right to deny or rescind admission to any applicant/student whose record of behavior indicates that he or she would disrupt the orderly process/ enrollment of the college's programs or would interfere with the rights and privileges of other students, including the falsification of the admissions application and/or the submission of fraudulent documents.

In accordance with Section 1001.64(8)(a), Florida Statutes, the College may consider the past actions of any person applying for admission or enrollment and may deny admission or enrollment to an applicant because of misconduct, if determined to be in the best interest of the College. The College has determined that the presence on campus of the following persons could be disruptive of the orderly process of the College's programs or would interfere with the rights and privileges of other students:

- a. Individuals who are officially designated as Sexual Offenders or Sexual Predators: or
- b. Individuals who have been convicted of an offense which involved harm or attempted harm to another as described in Section 1012.315, Florida Statutes.

Such persons shall be denied admission or enrollment unless the circumstances giving rise to the conviction or events occurring since the conviction clearly demonstrate that the individual will not reoffend. The burden of demonstrating such circumstances shall be on the individual seeking admission or enrollment. The President will develop administrative procedures to implement this Policy.

If an academic term has already begun at the time the College receives notification of disqualifying conditions, the student's enrollment will be deleted, and an administrative drop and

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refund for fees paid for the term in progress will be processed. Students who have received financial aid may be liable for repayment of aid according to financial aid program procedures. The student may receive a credit for required textbooks purchased for classes from which the student is dropped according to Florida SouthWestern State College bookstore procedures. This decision may be appealed to the Vice Provost, Student Affairs.

As used herein the term "Convicted" has the same meaning as in Section 943.0435, Florida Statues.