

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL: USF REGULATIONS

NOTICE: PROPOSED REVISED REGULATION
2007

DATE: January 29,

Regulation No: USF 1-009 TITLE: Graduate Catalog of the University of South Florida

The Graduate catalog includes information on admissions, articulation, degree requirements, curricula offerings, and facilities. The 2007-08, proposed revisions to the catalog have been reviewed and approved by the respective programs and colleges; the University Graduate Council; and the University Graduate School. Following is the Regulation and a summary of the major proposed revisions to the Graduate catalog.

To obtain full text of the Regulation and revisions, please contact Dee Brown at USFLEGAL@ADMIN.USF.EDU

(1) The University of South Florida (USF/University) publishes the Graduate Catalog (20067-20078) incorporated by reference herein. The Graduate Catalog establishes and reflects admission and degree requirements within the University as well as provides general information regarding the University, University community, curricular offerings and facilities available to students, faculty and staff of the University. In addition, the Catalog contains the academic calendar as set by the University within the general guidelines of the Board of Trustees.

(2) In the event of conflict between any provisions of the Graduate Catalog and any regulations of the University, such regulations of the University of South Florida shall prevail.

(3) At no charge, a copy of the Graduate Catalog can be obtained online at www.grad.usf.edu.

(4) The following applications for admission to the University of South Florida are available on-line and by contacting the Offices of: Undergraduate Admissions; Graduate Admissions or International Admissions.

(a) Undergraduate Application for Admission (~~Rev. 01/06~~); Office of Undergraduate Admissions, University of South Florida.

(b) Graduate Application for Admission (~~Rev. 08/04~~); Office of Graduate Admissions, University of South Florida.

(c) USF International Undergraduate Application (~~11/04~~) and International Application to USF Graduate Studies (~~11/04~~); Office of International Admissions, University of South Florida.

Name of University Official Initiating Proposed Regulation Revision: Renu Khator, Provost and Senior V.P. for Academic Affairs; [Delcie Durham, Associate Provost for Research and Graduate Dean](#), Graduate School.

Date Proposed Regulation Revision Approved By Board of Trustees: _____

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Specific Authority 1001.74, 1001.75,FS., Ch. 1007 Laws of Fla., Art. IX, Fla. Constitution and Resolutions issued by the FL Board of Governors. History-New 7-5-06, Revised _____

(Summary of Revisions)

1. Drops, Deletes and Retroactive Actions (corrections and clarifications).

- ♣ The last week to drop a course is the tenth week,
- ♣ Students receive a "W" if they withdraw.
- ♣ To drop a course following the 10th week of classes request must meet 1 of 5 exceptions noted in catalog.
- ♣ Courses will not be deleted except for University error.
- ♣ Graduate School will not process retroactive actions except in cases of the noted exceptions.

2. Transfer of Credit: Increased allowable amount from 9 hours to 12 hours. Revised credits that may be transferred.

3. Accelerated Degree Program Guidelines – Programs desiring to offer Accelerated Degree Programs must establish certain defined guidelines. The guidelines must then be submitted and approved by the Policy Committee of the Graduate Council.

4. Time Limitations – Time limitations for degree completion were reduced from 7 years to 5 years for master's degrees and from a total of 12 years (for those entering without a masters - 7 years to candidacy and 5 years for dissertation completion) or 10 years (for those entering with a masters –5 years to candidacy and 5 years for dissertation completion) to 8 years (with or without a masters upon admission - 4 hours to candidacy and 4 years to dissertation completion). All requirements for doctoral degrees must be completed within eight (8) calendar years from the student's date of admission for doctoral study. Students have four (4) years from the date of admission to complete all required coursework, pass the qualifying examination, and be admitted to doctoral candidacy. Students then have four (4) years from the date of doctoral candidacy to complete degree requirements.

5. Doctoral Defense Guidelines – A minimum of 3 Dissertation Committee members including the Major Professor required to proceed with the defense.

New Degree Programs

AS Criminal Justice Admin. (M.A.) (effective 08/06) Approved by Graduate Council 1/23/06; BOT 5/10/06

AS Statistics (M.A.) (effective 08/06)-Approved by Graduate Council 9/19/05; BOT 5/10/06

BA Finance (M.S.) (effective 08/06) -Approved by Graduate Council 1/23/06; BOT 5/10/06

Newly Offered Program @ St. Petersburg

AS Environmental Science (M.S.)-Approved by Graduate Council –STPT Approved 4/13/06

New Dual Degree Programs

AS Audiology (Au.D.) / Communication Sciences and Disorders (Ph.D.)- Approved 4/18/06

New Combined Program

ME Medicine/Medical Sciences (M.D./Ph.D.) Approved 11/20/06

(End of Summary)

Any person may submit written comments concerning a proposed regulation, amendment, or repeal to the contact identified in this notice within 14 days after the date of this notice. In response, the University may solicit additional written comments, schedule a public hearing, withdraw or modify the regulation, amendment, or repeal in whole or in part after notice, or proceed with adopting the regulation.

WRITTEN COMMENTS* CONCERNING THIS PROPOSED REGULATION MAY BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER THE POSTING DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO:

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