

**FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION**

DATE: September 18, 2024

REGULATION NUMBER AND TITLE: 8.006, Civic Literacy Competency

SUMMARY: During the 2023 session, the Florida Legislature amended Section 1004.6496, Florida Statutes which enhanced the mission and responsibility of the Hamilton Center for Classical and Civic Education at the University of Florida. The center was required to develop a new statewide course in civil discourse to meet the postsecondary civic literacy competency course requirement. The Hamilton Center developed AMS X010, Civil Discourse, and the American Political Order.

This new course has been accepted into the Statewide Course Numbering System and reviewed to ensure it meets the statutory requirements for civic literacy. As a result of this process, any Florida public postsecondary institution will be able to offer the course using the framework developed by the Hamilton Center. The University of Florida plans to offer the course in spring 2025.

Board staff proposes an amendment to Board of Governors Regulation 8.006, Civic Literacy Competency to add AMS X010 as an additional course option for students to meet the requirement for civic literacy.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION IS INCLUDED WITH THIS NOTICE.

AUTHORITY TO PROPOSE REGULATION(S): Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; BOG Regulation Development Procedure dated March 23, 2006.

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' OFFICIAL INITIATING THE PROPOSED

REGULATION: Emily Sikes, Interim Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs

COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation on which you are commenting:

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8.006 Civic Literacy Competency

- (1) Undergraduate degree-seeking students initially entering a state university in the 2018-19 Academic Year through the 2020-21 Academic Year must demonstrate competency in civic literacy through one of the following options prior to graduation.
 - (a) Successfully passing either POSX041 American Government or AMHX020 Introductory Survey Since 1877. Each of the courses must include the following competencies.
 - 1. Understanding of the basic principles and practices of American democracy and how they are applied in our republican form of government.
 - 2. An understanding of the United States Constitution and its application.
 - 3. Knowledge of the founding documents and how they have shaped the nature and functions of our institutions of self-government.
 - 4. An understanding of landmark Supreme Court cases, landmark legislation and landmark executive actions and their impact on law and society.
 - (b) Achieving the standard score on one of the following assessments.

Assessment	Standard Score
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Naturalization Test Civics (U.S. history and government) with supplemental questions Advanced Placement Government and Politics: United	60

3. Knowledge of the founding documents and how they have shaped the nature and functions of our institutions of self-government.
4. An understanding of landmark Supreme Court cases, landmark legislation and landmark executive actions and their impact on law and society.

(b)

after the start of fall 2024. AMS X010 satisfies the course requirement
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