DATE:       June 9, 2014

REGULATION CHAPTER NO.:    Chapter 4

REGULATION CHAPTER TITLE:    Academic Affairs

REGULATION TITLE AND NUMBER: Levels of Academic Standing for Undergraduate Students   (4.012)

SUMMARY OF REGULATION:  This new regulation will now require that students have a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) at the end of the student’s first term at the University. If a student’s GPA falls below 2.0, the student is given an academic warning. If a continuing student’s cumulative GPA falls below 2.0, the student is placed on academic probation and may not register for more than fifteen (15) semester hours. Academic suspension occurs when a student’s cumulative GPA is still below 2.0 after the student’s next enrolled term. Students on academic suspension cannot re-enroll at the University for at least two (2) consecutive terms.

AUTHORITY FOR REGULATION: Article IX, Section 7(c), Florida Constitution and Board of Governors Regulation 1.001.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THIS REGULATION: Rodner B. Wright, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

PROCEDURE FOR COMMENTS: Written comments concerning this proposed regulation shall be submitted within 14 days of the date of this notice to the person identified below. The comments must specifically identify the regulation you are commenting on.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION IS: Rodner Wright, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, 1700 Lee Hall Drive, 301 Foote-Hilyer Administration Center, Tallahassee, Florida 32307-3100, (850) 599-3276 (phone), (850) 561-2551 (fax), rodrer.wright@famu.edu.

FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION: The full text of this new regulation follows:
4.012 Levels of Academic Standing for Undergraduate Students

(1) Good Academic Standing occurs when a student’s cumulative grade point average (GPA) is 2.0 or above.

(2) Academic Warning occurs when a new student’s cumulative GPA is below 2.0 at the end of the student’s first term at the University. Students on Academic Warning will have a hold placed on their registration until they have met with an advisor and devised an academic plan of study to return to Good Academic Standing at the end of their next enrolled term.

(3) Academic Probation occurs when a continuing (i.e., second term or thereafter at the University) student’s cumulative GPA falls below 2.0. Students on Academic Probation may not register for more than fifteen (15) semester hours. A hold is placed on their registration until they have met with an advisor and devised an academic plan of study to return to Good Academic Standing at the end of their next enrolled term.

(4) Academic Suspension occurs when the cumulative GPA of a student on Academic Probation is still below 2.0 after the student’s next enrolled term. Students on Academic Suspension cannot re-enroll at the University for at least two (2) consecutive terms. They must file a petition for readmission prior to the beginning of any term in which they are eligible to return. All readmission petitions are forwarded to the University Admissions Committee for review. This committee will recommend approval or disapproval of each petition to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. The decision of the Provost will be final. Students readmitted from Academic Suspension are placed back on Academic Probation. Students will be placed on Academic Dismissal instead of receiving a second Academic Suspension.

(a) Students on Academic Dismissal are not allowed to re-enroll at the University unless they are reinstated.

(5) Reinstatement after Academic Dismissal

(a) An undergraduate student who has been academically dismissed from the University may petition to be reinstated after earning an Associate of Arts degree from a community college. This option is not available for students who have already earned an Associate of Arts degree prior to being dismissed. As part of the reinstatement, students may request that their cumulative GPA be renewed after re-entry. The new cumulative GPA will begin immediately upon enrollment after being reinstated. All
previous grades will remain on the student’s transcripts however, they will not be calculated into the student’s cumulative GPA. For honors classification purposes, all grades, including grades earned prior to the academic dismissal, will be considered.

(b) After returning to the University, a student must remain in Good Academic Standing by maintaining a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher. Student petitions for reinstatement will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the University Admissions Committee. All decisions of the Admissions Committee are final. If a reinstated student’s cumulative GPA falls below 2.0, the student will be academically dismissed and is not eligible to return.

(6) Effective Date

(a) This regulation is effective with the Fall 2014 semester and later cohort of students. Students entering the University prior to the Fall 2014 semester are subject to the Levels of Academic Standing policy in effect at the time of their matriculation.

Specific Authority: Article IX, section 7(c), Florida Constitution, and Board of Governors Regulation 1.001. History: New -14.