BOARD POLICY # AA 9.00



Northwest Florida State College

TITLE: COURSE SUBSTITUTIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

AUTHORITY: FS 1007.264; FS 1007.265; SBR

6A-10.041 SEE ALSO: Student Services Procedure #

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PURPOSE OF POLICY

To recognize the College's obligation to accommodate students with disabilities with course substitutions when appropriate.

LOCAL LANGUAGE

Northwest Florida State College recognizes that certain disabilities may preclude a student from successfully completing a specific course requirement for a degree even with appropriate accommodations. NWFSC recognizes its obligation to accommodate students with disabilities without compromising the integrity of the academic program, therefore, in accordance with State Board of Education Rule <u>6A-10.041</u> the following policy is established for providing reasonable course substitutions for eligible students with disabilities as required by Sections <u>1007.264</u> and <u>1007.265</u> of the Florida Statutes.

Students seeking a course substitution shall present appropriate documentation to the Counselor for Students with Disabilities or Special Needs. Requests for course substitutions will be considered on an individual basis based on the disability documentation and academic record of the student making the request. Documentation needs "to substantiate that the disability can be reasonably expected to prevent the individual from meeting requirements for admissions to the institution, admissions to a program of study, or graduation."

Students are informed of services through the annual College Catalog, the orientation program, academic advisement, the college web site, and printed materials available through Student Services.

Requests for substitutions for a particular course or program are considered only when a qualified student with a disability has demonstrated that, even with academic accommodations and services, he or she is unable to successfully complete the course solely because of his or her disability. However, if the verification of disability supports a substitution without attempting the course, an exception may be granted. Northwest Florida State College will honor substitutions granted by other state post- secondary institutions in the State of Florida per SBR 6A-10.041.