Welcome and Call to Order

Dr. Kendall St. Hilaire, Chair
Future Meeting Planning for DLSS MC Meetings

Dr. Kendall St. Hilaire,
Chair
Executive Director and Legislative Updates

Dr. John Opper
New Federal Definition for DL

7.1.2021 | Clarification of Terminology

INSTRUCTOR  REGULAR  SUBSTANTIVE
Distance Education

- **Distance education**: Education that uses one or more of the technologies listed in paragraphs (1)(i) through (1)(iv) of this definition to deliver instruction to students who are separated from the instructor or instructors, and to support regular and substantive interaction between the students and the instructor or instructors, either synchronously or asynchronously.

- The technologies that may be used to offer distance education include —
  - 1. The internet;
  - 2. One-way and two-way transmissions through open broadcast, closed circuit, cable, microwave, broadband lines, fiber optics, satellite, or wireless communications devices;
  - 3. Audio conferencing; or
  - 4. Other media used in a course in conjunction with any of the technologies listed in paragraphs (1) through (3) of this definition.
Changes to RSI and Instructor

2. For purposes of this definition, an **instructor** is an individual responsible for delivering course content and **who meets the qualifications for instruction established by the institution’s accrediting agency**.

3. For purposes of this definition, **substantive interaction** is engaging students in teaching, learning, and assessment, consistent with the content under discussion, and also includes at least two of the following—
   
   • Providing direct instruction;
   
   • Assessing or providing feedback on a student’s coursework;
   
   • Providing information or responding to questions about the content of a course or competency;
   
   • Facilitating a group discussion regarding the content of a course or competency; or,
   
   • Other instructional activities approved by the institution’s or program’s accrediting agency.
An institution ensures regular interaction between a student and an instructor or instructors by, prior to the student’s completion of a course or competency—

1. Providing the opportunity for substantive interactions with the student on a predictable and regular basis commensurate with the length of time and the amount of content in the course or competency; and

2. Monitoring the student’s academic engagement and success and ensuring that an instructor is responsible for promptly and proactively engaging in substantive interaction with the student when needed, on the basis of such monitoring, or upon request by the student.
Don’t Forget!

• New Federal Regulations addressing student notification requirements, including professional licensure disclosures for all modalities, become effective **July 1, 2021**.

• Institutions must provide general and direct disclosures for prospective and enrolled students for all programs leading to professional licensure or certification regardless of modality (34 CFR 668.43(a)(5)(v) and 34 CFR 668.43(c)).
Live Internet Webinars – Distance Education and Innovation Regulations – Registration and Details

Dear Colleague:

This letter notifies institutions that the Office of Postsecondary Education will host several webinars that will provide an overview of the changes to regulatory requirements in the Distance Education and Innovation regulations, which were published on September 2, 2020 and will be effective July 1, 2021 (unless early implemented by institutions).

For more information on the final regulations or to learn more about the regulatory process, please visit:

• **Satisfactory Academic Progress and Return of Title IV Funds**  
  Presented by David Bartnicki (FSA) and Aaron Washington (OPE)  
  Monday, April 12, 2021 from 2:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. (EST)  

• **Distance Education and Institutional Eligibility**  
  Presented by Greg Martin (OPE) and David Musser (FSA)  
  Monday, April 26, 2021 from 2:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. (EST)  
  https://www.eventbrite.com/e/distance-education-and-institutional-eligibility-virtual-meeting-registration-148925663669

• **Subscription-Based Programs**  
  Presented by Greg Martin (OPE) and David Musser (FSA)  
  Monday, May 10, 2021 from 2:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. (EST)  
  https://www.eventbrite.com/e/subscription-based-programs-virtual-meeting-registration-148948867071

FLVC Status – Legislature 2021

• House and Senate appropriations committees budget recommendations are in agreement on funding for FLVC at the level requested

• Statutory revision for FLVC has moved through the House and Senate with no opposition thus far. (Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network)
Closed Captioning ITN: 6224-6

- Available on Florida State University’s Public Procurement Portal
- Opened on April 5, 2021 at 9 AM
- Closes 4/23/2021 at 3 PM
- FSU Procurement Manager: Lyle L. Hackett lhackett@fsu.edu
- FLVC ITN Chair: Heather Thompson hthompson@flvc.org
Strategic Partnerships and Licensing Committee

Current ITN negotiations expected to take place beginning in May with decision currently scheduled for June.

Next contracting efforts:
- Tutoring ITN
- Blackboard ALLY
- Turnitin
### 2021-2022 Upload Schedule Reminders

- **Online Courses**

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## 2021-2022 Upload Schedule Reminders

- **Institution Profiles**

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2021-2022 Upload Schedule

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- Programs

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FloridaShines Catalog
New Features

• Currently in the process of updating CIP codes to accommodate 2020 updates.

• Institutions may now upload Educator Preparation Institutes (EPIs) to the program offerings, and they will be available to students on the FloridaShines Catalog!
Florida Online Course Design Quality Designations Update

- Summer 2021

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Textbook Cost Indicator for Course Catalog

- **Membership**: Representation from 21 institutions
- Discussed **Zero Textbook Cost** and **Low Textbook Cost** indicators
- Explored and researched National initiatives, and Florida efforts
  - UF- Affordable UF Badges
  - Affordability Counts
  - BOG: Textbook Affordability Initiative and Action Plan
- Preference to move forward with Zero Textbook Cost
Textbook Cost Indicator for Course Catalog

• Members voted in support of the use of a Zero Textbook Cost icon in the FLVC / FloridaShines online course catalog.

• Currently reviewing a definition and icon design

• Next Steps
  • Approval of definition and icon design
  • Explore current institution processes
  • Recommend best practices for implementation
Transient Applications

Currently processing Spring and Summer Applications

- Total number of applications approved during Spring 2021: **4,964**
  - Spring is currently down by 30%
This event brought together experts and partners from around the state to help students learn about exploring their options and how to figure out which of those options is the right match, understanding and acing the application process, learning about the three main ways to pay for college, and finishing their senior year strong so they are able to start the fall semester on the right track.

March 8-11, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. ET to 7:45 p.m. ET.

• Event Highlights
  • Total Event Registrations- 2,784
  • 25% of Registrants heard about this event through FloridaShines communications.
  • Total page visits to the College 101 Event page during event - 9,201
Event Partners
Virtual Campus Tour

- Please make sure and review the Virtual Campus Tours page on FloridaShines. [https://www.floridashines.org/go-to-college/get-ready-for-college/virtual-campus-tours](https://www.floridashines.org/go-to-college/get-ready-for-college/virtual-campus-tours)

- Should you need to make changes, email Ashley Thimmes, athimmes@flvc.org.
Website: https://dlss.test.flvc.org/flasq
Listerv (Free to subscribe): FLASQ@listserv.flvc.org
THANK YOU for your participation and support!

We will keep working with stakeholders like you.

We will keep providing quality services and resources through multiple initiatives including the FLASQ.
Ensuring Quality: Lessons from the Nation’s Top Ranked Online Programs

Date: Thursday, April 22, 2021
Time: 2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. (EDT)
Registration (Free & Required): Scan the QR code to register
Welcome New Members!
Edward Waters College
The College of the Florida Keys

A total of 32 institutions including FLVC

https://dlss.flvc.org/flqmc
FCS 2021 – 2022 Chair-Elect Nominations / Election

Dr. Kendall St. Hilaire
Preparation for Afternoon Discussion

Dr. Kendall St. Hilaire
Dr. Brian Marchman
Dr. Kelvin Thompson
FCS Update

Dr. Mike Sfiropoulos,
Department of Education
Professional Development Series

Introductory Discussion

Dr. Kendall St. Hilaire

Dr. Brian Marchman

Dr. Kelvin Thompson
Wrap-Up and Adjournment

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