



APS JUSTIFICATION

Policy Title: Board of Regent Approval for Non-degree Credentials

APS Number: 1040

APS Functional Area: **ACADEMIC**

Date Submitted:	May 1, 2025
Brief Description:	Provides procedures for Board of Regents approval of non-degree credentials, when required by an external entity and not delegated to a chancellor.
Desired Effective Date:	July 1, 2025
Responsible University Officer:	Vice President for Academic Affairs
Responsible Office:	Office of Academic Affairs
Policy Contact:	Office of Academic Affairs
Last Reviewed/Updated:	January 1, 2018
Applies to:	All campuses

Reason for Policy: Provides procedures for Board of Regents approval of non-degree credentials when required, as referenced in Regent Law, Article 4, Part B and Regent Policy 4.B.3.

I. REASON FOR PROPOSED ACTION

Previously, APS 1040 was focused on gainful employment certificate approval by the Board of Regents for inclusion in the CCHE funding formula. The APS has been broadened to acknowledge that there are external entities that may require approval of non-degree credentials (such as certificates), and if the authority to approve those credentials is not delegated to the chancellor of a campus, then procedures are outlined in the APS that are in place for Board of Regents approval.

In addition, APS 1040, which corresponds to Regent Law, Article 4 and Regent Policy 4, was reviewed to ensure consistency with other recent updates to this law and policy. There are only minor changes (e.g., “certificate” was changed to “credential” which is used in regent law and policy).

II. STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT IN THE POLICY REVIEW:

Provosts, University Council, Faculty Council and the Educational Policy and University Standards (EPUS) Committee

III. LEGAL REVIEW

A. Do you think legal review would be required for these proposed changes? **Yes**

1. If no, please explain.
2. If yes, what is your plan to get the legal review?

B. Date legal review completed: May 15, 2025

C. Person completing legal review: Erica Weston

- IV. **FISCAL REVIEW** Are there any financial (human resources, technology, operations, training, etc.) or other resource impacts of implementing this policy (e.g. cost savings, start-up costs, additional time for faculty or staff, new systems, or software)? **No**
If yes, please explain: