

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**  
BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION  
APPROPRIATIONS  
Senator Lynn, Chair  
Senator Thrasher, Vice Chair

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, January 24, 2012

**TIME:** 2:15 —3:15 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Lynn, Chair; Senator Thrasher, Vice Chair; Senators Altman, Braynon, Detert, Hays, Joyner, Montford, Oelrich, Simmons, Siplin, and Wise

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Higher Education Distance Learning Initiative Update		Presented
2	Review and Discussion of Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget Issues relating to:  Department of Education Board of Governors		Not Considered
Other Related Meeting Documents			



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*of* FLORIDA  
Board of Governors



# Online Registration Process for Transient Students: Update

January 24 , 2012

# Online Registration Assignment

- S. 1004.091 (2)(b) directs the Florida Distance Learning Consortium to implement a streamlined online registration process for undergraduate **transient** students.
- The Consortium is directed to “work with the Florida College System and the State University System to implement this admissions application process.”

# Institutional Involvement

## ➤ Workgroup Participants for Design and Implementation Studies:

- Distance Learning Representatives
- College and University Registrars
- College and University Admissions Officers
- College and University Financial Aid Officers
- Representatives from
  - Florida Board of Governors Staff
  - Division of Florida Colleges Staff
  - Florida Distance Learning Consortium
  - FCAAS
  - State Office of Student Financial Aid

## ➤ Implementation Plan Developed

# Increased Access

- **Increase in online courses:** From 6,000 courses listed in 2005 to **28,272** in 2010-11.
- **Variety of online programs:** Distance Learning Catalog contains 613 program listings from certificate to PhD programs.
- **Heavy usage of transient student admissions system:** FACTS processed over 44,000 students last year through its transient student admissions system.

# Online Degree Availability

- Florida public colleges and universities now offer **642** online degree programs.
- During 2012, **69** additional online degree programs will become available.
- Of the **711** total online academic programs that will be available by the end of 2012:
  - 321 are offered at 26 colleges
  - 390 are offered at 10 universities

	Undergrad Certificates	Associate Degrees	Baccalaureate Degrees	Masters Degrees	Doctorate Degrees	Grad Certificates
Colleges	135	133	53			
Universities	32		46	171	16	125

# Implementation Approach

- Added content, registration buttons and course availability indicators to the distance learning catalog.
- Adapted the existing transient admissions process within FACTS
- Add financial aid officers to the process and include financial aid procedures and reporting for transient students
- Automate the reporting of transient student credit/grades utilizing the Florida Automated Student Transcript Education Reporting (FASTER) system.

# Demonstration of the System



Florida Distance Learning Consortium

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- My DL Account
- About Us
- Getting Started
- Course Search
- Registration
- Degree Options
- FAQs
- Contact Us
- Site Map
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find a course  
earn a degree  
build your future

*at Florida's Schools, Community Colleges and Universities!*

Search

Search

**my dl account**

Email

Password

Go New User

Forgot Password?

A login is NOT required to search courses.

**Courses**

You can select from a range of delivery methods at any of Florida's educational institutions.

***New course registration services now available for Florida public college and university students!***

**Degrees**

Florida's colleges and universities offer over 600 online degree programs.

**Advising**

Undecided? Looking for Options? Visit [FACTS.org](http://FACTS.org)

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# Next Steps

- Complete the implementation of financial aid procedures.
- Complete the implementation of the electronic transfer of credit awarded by the institutions offering the course to the transient student's home institution.
- Consider recommendations of the *Workgroup on the Alignment and Enhancement of Online Postsecondary Academic and Student Support Web Services* (submitted December 31). To ensure efficient and effective delivery of services, the Workgroup reviewed the Consortium's and FCAAS's:

Mission

Scope of Services

Budget

Institutional Engagement

Service enhancements

Potential Enhancements

Oversight

Technology support

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MATERIALS AVAILABLE.**

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APPEARANCE RECORD

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Meeting Date \_\_\_\_\_

Topic Online Registration Update

Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_  
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Representing Florida Distance Learning Consortium

Appearing at request of Chair: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature: ☐ Yes ☒ No

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# CourtSmart Tag Report

**Room:** KN 412

**Case:**

**Caption:** Senate Budget Subcommittee on Higher Education Appropriations - 2:15pm

**Type:**

**Judge:**

**Started:** 1/24/2012 2:21:38 PM

**Ends:** 1/24/2012 2:52:25 PM

**Length:** 00:30:48

2:21:41 PM	Senator Lynn (Chair), meeting called to order
2:22:59 PM	Roll call
2:23:21 PM	Higher Education Distance Learning Initiative Update
2:23:49 PM	John Oppen, Executive Director, Distance Learning Consortium
2:32:09 PM	Connie Graunke, Executive Director, Florida Center for Advising and Academic Support
2:34:14 PM	Sen. Lynn
2:34:25 PM	J. Oppen
2:35:03 PM	Sen. Lynn
2:35:08 PM	J. Oppen
2:36:37 PM	Sen. Oelrich
2:37:30 PM	J. Oppen
2:38:34 PM	Sen. Oelrich
2:39:39 PM	J. Oppen
2:41:51 PM	C. Graunke
2:44:16 PM	Sen. Lynn
2:44:27 PM	C. Graunke
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2:49:36 PM	Sen. Oelrich
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