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One University?

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Regional Accreditation

- <http://www.sacscoc.org/principles.asp>
- <http://www.sacscoc.org/pdf/2018PrinciplesOfAcreditation.pdf>
- 14 Sections.



Performance Based Metrics

- http://www.flbog.edu/board/office/budget/_doc/performance_funding/Overview-Doc-Performance-Funding-10-Metric-Model-Condensed-Version.pdf
- USFSP metrics count NOW for all USF System reporting and PBF funding.



Preeminence Metrics

- http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=1000-1099/1001/Sections/1001.7065.html
- USFSP metrics will count as part of the USF System metrics beginning in two more years.



Carnegie Classifications: Regional vs. National Research University

- **Doctoral Universities, i.e. USF Tampa**
 - Includes institutions that awarded at least 20 research/scholarship doctoral degrees during the update year (this does not include professional practice doctoral-level degrees, such as the JD, MD, PharmD, DPT, etc.). Excludes Special Focus Institutions and Tribal Colleges.
 - R1: Doctoral Universities – Highest research activity.
- **Master's Colleges and Universities, i.e. USF St Petersburg**
 - Generally includes institutions that awarded at least 50 master's degrees and fewer than 20 doctoral degrees during the update year (with occasional exceptions – see Methodology). Excludes Special Focus Institutions and Tribal Colleges.
 - M2: Master's Colleges and Universities – Medium programs.



HB 423

- <https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2018/00423/?Tab=BillText>
- See pages 50-53.



Concerns Expressed at USFSP

- We will need more majors, more research support, and additional resources to support student success (degree completion).
- Current students will be able to complete their current programs and graduate from USFSP.
- We will retain the name USF St Petersburg.
- Campus-based leadership/governance structure will continue.
- Campus Board will continue.



Concerns *(continued)*

- We will be accessible to Pinellas County students.
- We will expand and build upon current partnerships and create new ones specific to USFSP.
- Student government, faculty senate, and other governance groups will continue.



Concerns *(continued)*

- USFSP will move forward on new initiatives and projects such as the new residential hall facility, the remodeling of Davis Hall, the wayfinding project, upgrades to the waterfront, remodeling of existing facilities, and the securing of additional property for expansion.
- USFSP will retain a distinctive identity.
- The teams organized to develop a plan for submission to the USF System Board of Trustees will have balanced representation from all three USF institutions.
- The transition will not be driven by USF Tampa.



Concerns 'Beyond the Page'

- Local control of governance, budget, curriculum, faculty and staff qualifications, etc. may be lost.
- Basic mission of a regional vs. a research university will shift the focus away from meeting the regional needs of Pinellas County.
- We will become less accessible to local students.
- There will not be equitable distribution of funds.



Letter from Representative Sprowls and Senator Brandes to BOT Chair Lamb

- <http://floridapolitics.com/archives/254649-pinellas-lawmakers-want-answers-proposed-usf-consolidation>



Letter from Representative Sprowls and Senator Brandes to BOT Chair Lamb

- **Items asked for:**
 - Access to a pre-eminent university with all the resources afforded by that prestigious distinction.
 - Equitable investments at each institution including: support for research, doctoral programs, additional degrees, and unlimited opportunity for students preparing to enter a competitive job market.
 - Grow programs in areas of strategic emphasis, nursing, STEM related fields, and for the first time, the opportunity to have doctoral students on campus.



Letter from Representative Sprowls and Senator Brandes to BOT Chair Lamb

- **Items asked for:**
 - Engineering degrees, health care related degrees, research support, and doctoral programs in marine science.
 - As a rising tide lifts all boats, one USF will allow the university to grow together in success and stature.
 - Current students will complete as planned.
 - Faster path to degree and less debt for students.
 - Keep USFSP name and distinctive identity.



Letter from Representative Sprowls and Senator Brandes to BOT Chair Lamb

- **Items asked for:**
 - Expanded array of majors, i.e. engineering related, health care, marine science, STEM, programs of strategic emphasis, nursing.
 - Doctoral programs at USFSP.
 - Expanded research opportunities.
 - Preeminence status on every diploma.
 - Access to every degree program; no need to transfer.



Letter from Chair Lamb to Sen Brandes and Rep Sprowls

- <https://www.usfsp.edu/leadership-messages/2018/02/05/accreditation-consolidation-proposal/sprows-and-brandes-letter-from-bot-chair-final-1/>



Letter from Chair Lamb to Sen Brandes and Rep Sprowls

- **Highlights:**

- Helping students progress and graduate on a faster pace and with less debt.
- current students in the USF System can rest assured that they will be allowed to continue their studies uninterrupted and on a timely path to graduation.
- Enhancing the reputation of the entire USF System and having all students graduate from a soon-to-be-designated Preeminent Research University.
- Expanding the array of course options and majors at USFSP and USFSM including those in healthcare and engineering along with the benefits of access to doctoral and research opportunities in St. Petersburg and Sarasota-Manatee.
- Expansion of high-level research will help attract additional world-class faculty and students to every USF campus.



Letter from Chair Lamb to Sen Brandes and Rep Sprowls

- **Highlights:**

- Transparency and collaboration throughout the process.
- Responsibility to approve the implementation plan rests with the BOT.
- Single accredited institution, USF, would be comprised of three primary campuses with distinct local identities in Tampa, St. Petersburg and Sarasota-Manatee. Each campus would retain its current name and preserve its individual identity.
- Accelerate the achievements of each USF campus in the areas of student access, diversity, affordability, retention, graduation, and job-placement rate.
- Graduate research and doctoral opportunities would be available at all USF campuses.



Letter from Chair Lamb to Sen Brandes and Rep Sprowls

- **Highlights:**

- All students attending any USF campus will have access to every degree program offered across the entire USF System.
- The need for students to transfer between USF institutions will no longer be required.
- Committed to investing in engineering, healthcare and marine science programs in St. Petersburg. Will direct leadership of the university to begin the feasibility study, which would include a timeline for investing in these new programs at USF St. Petersburg.
- The BOT commits to delivering doctoral level education and research activities responsive to local needs and market demands.



Letter from Sen Rouson and Rep Diamond to Chair Lamb

- <http://floridapolitics.com/archives/255262-darryl-rouson-ben-diamond-worry-unintended-consequences-usf-consolidation>



Letter from Sen Rouson and Rep Diamond to Chair Lamb

- **Questions asked:**
 - How would the proposal impact student admissions and access by minority students to enrollment at the various campuses?
 - How would the proposal impact academic programs offered and faculty hiring?
 - How would accreditation consolidation impact USF St Pete's ability to lead in the innovation district and more broadly in the continued successful economic development of St. Petersburg?
 - How would accreditation consolidation potentially help all campuses as USF seeks to achieve the excellence standards necessary for pre-eminent university funding from the State of Florida?



Letter from Sen Rouson and Rep Diamond to Chair Lamb

- **Questions asked:**

- How should the governance structure of the Board of Trustees be changed to ensure appropriate representation from each of the counties on the Board?
- How would budgeting decisions be made in Tampa in a more transparent and appropriate manner?
- What would be the role for St. Petersburg's student and faculty leaders under a new arrangement?



Summary

- In two years, USFSP will move to preeminence metrics and R1 expectations regardless of legislation.
- Admissions requirements will rise, therefore pathways that provide access to local students and additional support for student success will be provided.
- USFSP keeps its name and distinctive identity.
- USFSP keeps local governance structure.
- New degree programs, including doctoral programs, come to St Petersburg.
- Balanced representation on planning teams and system BOT approves plan.
- Accreditation doesn't prevent a university from having more than one college of X, Y, or Z.

