FAU Policy Regarding Admission of Graduate and Post-baccalaureate Professional Students

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(1) Each applicant shall be required to meet minimum University requirements as stated below.

(2) Applicants must have:

(a) an earned bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited U.S. institution or from an institution accredited by an equivalent accrediting body or a comparable degree from an international institution.

(b) a minimum grade point average (GPA) as determined by the graduate faculty of the program or their designees for either all work attempted as an undergraduate student working toward a baccalaureate degree or all work attempted while registered as an upper division undergraduate student working toward a baccalaureate degree.

(c) scores on a nationally standardized graduate admissions test, such as the General Test of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE), the Miller Analogies Test (MAT), the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), or an equivalent, that is acceptable for the program to which the student is applying.

Alternatively, a graduate degree from a regionally accredited U.S. institution or from an institution accredited by an equivalent accrediting body may substitute for (2) (a) and (b) for admission to a Doctoral program and for (2) (a), (b), and (c) for admission to a Masters program.

(3) Admission shall be based on a review of credentials by the graduate faculty of the program or their designee in which multiple criteria are used to judge the appropriateness of the applicant to pursue graduate study.

(4) Each program admissions committee may impose more restrictive admission requirements than those stated above. University and program-specific admissions requirements shall be published in the University Catalog.

(5) To accommodate special circumstances, the university may waive these requirements for individual students. Such waivers should not be granted routinely.

(6) The university may develop criteria for admission to specific degree programs which differ from item 2 (c).

(7) Students who wish to enroll in courses, but not degree programs, at the post-baccalaureate level, may enroll under the classification of post-baccalaureate non-degree students. Admissions committees wishing to admit post-baccalaureate non-degree students to graduate degree programs after the students have satisfactorily completed a specified number of credits may do so under conditions specified by the graduate program.

(8) Applicants denied admission shall be given notice of denial within a reasonable period of time following the decision.