

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Consent Items**  
August 15, 2006

**SUBJECT: ACC Credit-By-Exam Equivalency List**

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1007.271, Florida Statutes, requires the Department of Education to establish passing scores and course and credit equivalencies for Advanced Placement (AP), Advanced International Certificate of Education Program (AICE), International Baccalaureate (IB), and College-Level Examination Program (CLEP). State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.024, further directs the Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC) to maintain and review annually a list of examinations, minimum scores for guaranteed transfer credit, maximum credits guaranteed to transfer, and recommended course equivalencies.

The DANTES/DSST and Excelsior exam equivalencies on the list are also authorized by State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.024, but are not part of the statutory requirement. The ACC included these exam equivalencies on the list to provide guidance to postsecondary institutions, however, the award of credit for these examinations is not required.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The ACC Credit-By-Exam Equivalency List was initially adopted by the State Board of Education on November 14, 2001. The list has been maintained and reviewed annually by the ACC since the time of initial adoption. Given the addition of several new examinations and the need for updates to the list, the ACC conducted a 5-year comprehensive review of examinations. Forty-one Statewide Course Numbering Committees consisting of 106 community college and university faculty members reviewed a total of 187 exams. During this process, new exams were added to the list and other changes were made to create a more “user-friendly” version of the list and ensure that students receive appropriate and optimum credit for successful completion of exams. This activity supports the State Board of Education goal of seamless articulation and maximum access.

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**Supporting Documentation Included: ACC Credit-By-Exam Equivalency List**  
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