

#### 240.2099 Florida Academic Counseling and Tracking System.--

(1) ~~The Board of Regents and State Board of Community Colleges shall develop plans for implementing a single, statewide, computer-assisted student advising system which The State Board of Education, Division of Colleges and Universities and Division of Community Colleges, shall establish the Florida Center for Advising and Academic Support whose missions shall be to promote system integration and articulation among K-20 educational organizations through the implementation of a statewide student advising system. The system must be an integral part of the process of advising, admitting, registering, and certifying students for graduation. Plans shall include timelines for the implementation of the system and shall be submitted to the Legislature by October 1, 1996. It is intended that an advising system be the primary advising and tracking tool for students enrolled in community colleges and universities and be accessible to students enrolled in each of the state universities, community colleges, and public secondary schools. The Commissioner of Education University System and the community college system shall establish a committee, from nominations submitted by the Chancellors, to oversee the development and maintenance of the advising system. The Boards of Trustees at the state universities and community colleges shall interface institutional systems with the FACTS System and support the implementation, including: participating in the design, development and analysis of the system and promoting the system to students.~~ The system shall consist of a degree audit and an articulation component that includes the following characteristics:

(2) The system shall constitute an integral part of the process of advising students and assisting them in course selection. The system shall be accessible to students in the following ways:

(a) A student must be able to access the system, at any time, to identify course options that will meet the requirements of a selected path toward a degree.

(b) A status report from the system shall be generated and sent with each grade report to each student with a declared major.

(3) The system shall be an integral part of the registration process. As part of the process, the system shall:

(a) Provide reports that document each student's status toward completion of a degree.

(b) Verify that a student has completed requirements for graduation.

(4) ~~The Florida Center for Advising and Academic Support shall also work with the public secondary system to provide computer-assisted student advising through which students obtain information related to career descriptions and corresponding educational requirements; **course options that meet the requirements for admission into state universities and colleges;** institutional admission requirements for state universities, community colleges, and area technical centers; and available sources of student financial aid. Such advising must also enable students to examine their interests and aptitudes for the purpose of curricular and career planning.~~

(5) The system must provide management information to decision makers, including information relating student enrollment patterns and course demands to plans for corresponding course offerings and information useful in planning the student registration process.