CIVIC LITERACY REQUIREMENT

SUS Students Subject to the Requirement
Students who are admitted to an SUS institution as first time in college (FTIC) degree-seeking undergraduate students, as defined by BOG Regulation 6.002, beginning in Fall 2018 must satisfy the civic literacy requirement before earning a baccalaureate degree from an SUS institution.

Students who are admitted to an SUS institution as undergraduate degree-seeking transfer students, as defined by BOG Regulation 6.004, beginning in Fall 2018 are not subject to the civic literacy requirement.

Options for SUS Students to Meet the Civic Literacy Requirement
1. Successfully passing either POSX041 American Government or AMHX020 Introductory Survey Since 1877. Each of the courses must include the following competencies:
   • Understanding of the basic principles and practices of American democracy and how they are applied in our republican form of government,
   • An understanding of the United States Constitution and its application,
   • Knowledge of the founding documents and how they have shaped the nature and functions of our institutions of self-government, and
   • An understanding of landmark Supreme Court cases, landmark legislation and landmark executive actions and their impact on law and society.

   OR

2. Achieving the standard score on one of the following assessments:

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<td>U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Naturalization Test-Civics (U.S. history and government) with supplemental questions</td>
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<td>Advanced Placement Government and Politics: United States</td>
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<td>CLEP American Government</td>
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NOTE: Dual enrollment courses taken prior to Fall 2018 do not satisfy the civic literacy requirement as those courses did not include the competencies required by statute until Fall 2018.

Board of Governors Definitions
FTIC
FTIC freshmen are defined as students who have earned a standard high school diploma from a Florida public or regionally accredited high school, or its equivalent, and who have earned fewer than twelve (12) semester hours of transferable college credit since receiving a standard high school diploma or its equivalent (Board of Governors Regulation 6.002).

- High school students who earn dual enrollment credits (regardless of the number of credit hours earned) prior to high school graduation who then graduate from high school and are admitted to an SUS institution in Fall 2018 or later are considered FTIC and are subject to the civic literacy requirement.
- High school students who have been admitted to an SUS institution as a degree-seeking student in Fall 2018 or later and who earn dual enrollment credits prior to graduating from high school are considered Early Admit FTIC and are subject to the civics literacy requirement.
- High school graduates who earn less than twelve (12) credit hours of college coursework after graduating from high school are considered FTIC at SUS institutions and are subject to the civics literacy requirement.

Undergraduate Transfer Student
Undergraduate transfer students are defined as students who have earned twelve (12) or more semester hours of transferable college credit since receiving a standard high school diploma or its equivalent (BOG Regulation 6.004).

For More Information
- Florida Statute 1007.25(4)(a)(b) (http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/).
- BOG Regulation 8.006 (https://www.flbog.edu/board/regulations/).
- Questions regarding Florida College System (FCS) requirements should be directed to FCS staff and local FCS institutions.