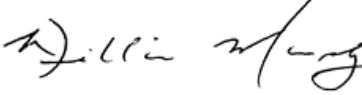





TO: Higher Education Committee
FROM: William P. Murphy 
SUBJECT: Definition of "University" in New York State
DATE: November 5, 2020
AUTHORIZATION(S): 
SUMMARY

Issue for Discussion

Should the Board of Regents consider amending the regulations and clarifying the definitions that govern the use of the term "university" in Section 50.1(l) of the Commissioner's Regulations?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Review of Policy.

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the Higher Education Committee for discussion at its November 2020 meeting.

Procedural History

N/A

Background Information

Section 50.1(l) of the Commissioner's Regulations provides the following definition for "university" in New York State:

University means a higher educational institution offering a range of registered undergraduate and graduate curricula in the liberal arts and sciences, degrees in two or more professional fields, and doctoral programs in at least three academic fields.

Department staff will provide information to the members of the Higher Education Committee on the current regulations that govern the use of the term “university” in Commissioner’s Regulations and requests from some New York State colleges to revise that definition.

Related Regents Items

Not applicable.

Recommendation

Not applicable.

Timetable for Implementation

Not applicable.