

Policy Regarding the Support of Doctoral Students

In order to ensure that doctoral students wishing to enter the laboratory of a faculty mentor are supported throughout their training, it is mandatory that careful review of the source/s of financial support be completed. Typically, doctoral students are assured of two (2) years of stipend support by the school as a Graduate Research Assistant (GRA) and/or as a Thomas Rumble fellowship recipient. Source/s of stipend support beyond these two years must be identified by the mentor at the time s/he accepts the responsibility of mentorship. The inability to identify continued financial support for the doctoral student will mean the student will not be permitted to train in that laboratory. Stipend support can come from any combination of the following: Institutional Training Grant (T-32) awards; Individual NIH awards such as F30/F31 fellowships; NSF or Department of Defense fellowships; foundation or agency fellowships such as from the Komen Foundation; the American Heart Association; the American Cancer Society, or any such agency; research funds awarded to the mentor; discretionary funds available to the mentor and/or department; or funds available through the mentor's or department's indirect cost accounts. Stipend supported doctoral students are expected to complete their training within 60 months.

Prospective mentors seeking to accept responsibility for doctoral students must have approval from the Dean of the School of Medicine, obtainable by his designees, the Vice Dean of Research and Graduate Programs for the School of Medicine, or the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs. Approval must be recorded using the designated "FORM FOR DOCTORAL STUDENT SUPPORT."

Approved: Dean Sobel, March 25, 2017

FORM FOR DOCTORAL STUDENT SUPPORT

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			Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
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Comments:

REQUIRED SIGNATURES:

Prospective Mentor:

Printed name: _____ *Date* _____

Unit Head/Department Chair:

Printed name: _____ *Date* _____

School of Medicine Vice Dean of Research and Graduate Programs:

Printed name: _____ *Date* _____