

FUNDING OF GRADUATE PROGRAM IN BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES (GPiBS)



Rationale for change to policy: clarification of enrollment.

The policy dated July 10, 2012, specified that the calculation of Department monies to support the incoming GPiBS class would be based on summer enrollment. Since this calculation is now done in June there is ambiguity as to which summer.

History:

The GPiBS program supports graduate students accepted into this program during the first year by providing a stipend and health insurance and covering tuition and fees. Starting in the summer semester of the student's first year, the student is enrolled in one of the seven Programs and from July 1 these costs are covered by the student's mentor.

Historically, the costs for the GPiBS program were divided 1/3 Graduate College, 1/3 Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation, and 1/3 Basic Science Departments and Oklahoma Center for Neuroscience ("Graduate Programs").

As of the 2012 summer semester, over a third of OUHSC faculty members with graduate students who entered through GPiBS had their primary academic appointment in a Clinical department. Due to this significant percentage of mentoring graduate faculty members with primary academic appointments in a Clinical Department, it was necessary for Clinical Departments to contribute to the costs of GPiBS to obtain equitable support for the program. Hence the 2012 policy was written.

Clarified Policy

The primary academic department of every OUHSC faculty member mentoring a graduate student who entered through GPiBS will be charged an Annual Fee to help support GPiBS. The Annual Fee will be determined each June by dividing the Graduate Programs' contribution to GPiBS (1/3 of the total cost) for the upcoming class by the total number of former GPiBS students with a mentor in that Department, enrolled in the current Summer semester.

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