COMMITTEE ON GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH

The committee shall consist of an appointee of the dean (who shall serve as ex officio non-voting members), the director of research and the program directors of departments offering graduate programs of study, and three (3) Voting Faculty of the Dental Faculty who are not members of the departments offering graduate programs. The latter three (3) members of the committee shall be elected in accordance with the Bylaws, Article III, Section 5.a. and for a term as specified in Article V, Terms of membership.

The duties and functions of this committee shall be to:

1. establish and monitor rules and regulations and the quality standards for graduate and residency programs in the School of Dental Medicine. Criteria shall be in compliance with guidelines set forth by the School of Graduate Studies and the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

2. establish and monitor guidelines for graduate student admissions in the School of Dental Medicine. Criteria shall be consistent with standards set forth by the School of Graduate Studies.

3. identify students with less than satisfactory performance. Students to be placed on probation shall be notified by the committee, and the conditions to be met by the student to remove him/herself from probationary status shall be prescribed.

4. review for completeness and good standing the credentials of each candidate for the award of a degree and/or certificate. Committee endorsement for each candidate is required. The committee shall forward the names of endorsed candidates to the faculty for consideration for the award of a degree.

5. annually review graduate core courses for appropriateness and completeness of content, and make specific recommendations to course directors.

6. oversee graduate course deletions and new course additions.

7. review incidents of alleged unethical behavior on the part of graduate students.

8. review annual progress reports of ongoing research and make these available to faculty, students, and alumni.

9. review and evaluate the research qualifications for candidates for appointments and/or promotions when deemed necessary by the department chairperson, the Committee on Faculty Academic Status, the Executive Board, and/or the dean.

10. select a faculty member to serve on the University Institutional Review Board for experimentation involving human subjects.
provide procedural oversight for graduate research, including thesis protocols.

review and recommend changes in clinical policies, standards of care, logistics in graduate education and clinical research, facilities, and fiscal matters affecting the clinical phase of graduate education, and clinical research, and fellowships.