

October 27, 2017

Regarding: Graduate Certificate in Molecular Diagnostics

Respected Members of the Faculty Senate:

The Department of Medical Laboratory Sciences fully supports the proposed Graduate Certificate in Molecular Diagnostics. The proposed certificate builds on existing courses and the recently established Master of Science in Medical Sciences degree program, administered by the MLS Department.

The Certificate in Molecular Diagnostics is earned by completing three fundamental, discipline specific courses which are:

- *MEDT 690 Genetic & Molecular Diagnostics for the Clinical Lab*
- *MEDT 691 Molecular Diagnostics*
- *MEDT 692 Application of Molecular Diagnostic Techniques*

The MLS Department is committed to regularly offering these fundamental courses. Additionally, the MLS faculty unanimously voted to approve the Certificate in Molecular Diagnostics. All departmental policies and bylaws were followed in the generation and approval of this Certificate Program.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of provide information or assistance.

Sincerely,



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