Medical School Statement on Continuous Enrollment Policy September 8, 2009

The Medical School supports the continuous enrollment policy for all Ph.D. programs. The impact of the continuous enrollment policy will be negligible due to our current practice of enrolling students throughout the years of their Ph.D. training. Virtually all active Ph.D. students are registered every academic year, and are funded through Medical School resources that include research and training grants procured by its faculty. Under current practice, it is a rare and unusual circumstance for one of our Ph.D. students in good standing not to be registered and enrolled. Under the new policy, such a student would be required to register. That student would contact the student services administrator in his or her program, who would work with the thesis adviser and, when necessary, the program Chair or Director to identify an appropriate funding source to cover the tuition cost.