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I. Purpose

To state the purpose and procedures for inviting Visiting Graduate Students or Visiting Postdoctoral Scholars to the university.

II. Definition

"Visiting Graduate Student" or "Visiting Postdoctoral Scholar" is a title conferred by the Dean of the Graduate School upon visiting graduate students or visiting postdoctoral scholars.

III. Policy

- A. A person is appointed a Visiting Graduate Student or Visiting Postdoctoral Scholar by the Dean of the Graduate School. Appointments are for specified periods only. Individuals appointed to the position of Visiting Graduate Student or Visiting Postdoctoral Scholar receive letters of welcome from the Dean of the Graduate School.
- B. Visiting Graduate Students and Visiting Postdoctoral Scholars receive library privileges, may attend the university as nonmatriculated students, and may use university research facilities where feasible and agreeable to those in charge. Library privileges are given without charge. Other privileges include those for which all graduate students are eligible, including University identification, parking, etc.
- C. Visiting Graduate Students and Visiting Postdoctoral Scholars are not entitled to compensation as graduate assistants or employees of the university, are not appointed to teaching or research positions, and do not receive direct financial support either from or through the university.

[Note: Parts IV-VII of this Regulation (and all other University Regulations) are Regulations Resource Information – the contents of which are not approved by the Academic Senate or Board of Trustees, and are to be updated from time to time as determined appropriate by the cognizant Policy Officer and the Institutional Policy Committee, as per Policy 1-001 and Rule 1-001.]

IV. Procedures

- A. Recommendations for appointment of Visiting Graduate Students or Visiting Postdoctoral Scholars should be by majority vote of the relevant university unit. They must carry the endorsement of the deans of the appropriate colleges or schools.
- B. A registry of Visiting Graduate Students and Visiting Postdoctoral Scholars is kept by the Graduate School.
- C. Appropriate identification cards will be issued to Visiting Graduate Students and Visiting Postdoctoral Scholars to facilitate extension to them of the privileges associated with their status.
- D. Provision of office, laboratory, or other working quarters for Visiting Graduate Students and Visiting Postdoctoral Scholars is the responsibility of the relevant university unit submitting the appointment recommendation, subject to availability of space.



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V. Contacts

The designated contact officials for this Policy are:

- A. Policy Owners (primary contact person for questions and advice): Dean of the Graduate School.
- B. Policy Officers: Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Sr. Vice President for Health Sciences.

These officials are designated by the University President or delegee, with assistance of the Institutional Policy Committee, to have the following roles and authority, as provided in University Rule 1-001:

"A 'Policy Officer' will be assigned by the President for each University Policy, and will typically be someone at the executive level of the University (i.e., the President and his/her Cabinet Officers). The assigned Policy Officer is authorized to allow exceptions to the Policy in appropriate cases.... "

"The Policy Officer will identify an 'Owner' for each Policy. The Policy Owner is an expert on the Policy topic who may respond to questions about, and provide interpretation of the Policy; and will typically be someone reporting to an executive level position (as defined above), but may be any other person to whom the President or a Vice President has delegated such authority for a specified area of University operations. The Owner has primary responsibility for maintaining the relevant portions of the Regulations Library... .[and] bears the responsibility for determining -requirements of particular Policies... ." University Rule 1-001-III-B & E

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