FHS Policy Memo

Re: Contributions by faculty who supervise PhD students whose guaranteed funding is provided by FHS (2019-2020)

The policy described below applies ONLY to PhD students who begin their program of study in the 2019-2020 academic year (i.e., September 2019, January 2020, May 2020 intakes).

For 2019-2020, supervisors of PhD students who receive their guaranteed funding package from FHS will be required to contribute $2,000 per year for the four year funding period (or equivalent to 12 terms of funding) toward the guaranteed funding package of each PhD student. This applies to students in the following graduate programs: (i) Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, (ii) Kinesiology, (iii) Nursing, and (iv) Neuroscience.

For students co-supervised by two research supervisors, a total contribution of $2,000 per year for the four year funding period (or equivalent to 12 terms of funding) is required per PhD student. This could be split between the two research supervisors, or paid by one supervisor, depending on their respective funding circumstances.

For Health Information Sciences (HIS) PhD students, in which case the PhD guaranteed funding package is provided 50:50 by FHS and FIMS, supervisors whose primary Faculty appointment is in FHS are required to contribute $1,000 toward the PhD guaranteed funding package of each HIS PhD student. HIS PhD student supervisors whose primary Faculty appointment is in FIMS will follow FIMS policies relating to graduate student funding.

PhD students who (i) hold a scholarship of $15,000 or greater, or (ii) are sponsored, are excluded from this policy.

Research supervisors whose grant funding is not sufficient to cover this contribution are asked to contact the Graduate Chair for consideration of bridge funding by the Dean.

For PhD students admitted in 2017-2018, or 2018-2019, no contributions by research supervisors are required for any year. That is, no contributions are required for the upcoming year 2019-2020, nor for 2017-2018 or 2018-2019.

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