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### REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN DOCTORAL DEGREE PROGRAM

Program: Biomedical Engineering

Department/Division: Center for Biomedical Engineering

College: Graduate School Bulletin pp \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Title (Old): Ph.D. Degree Title (New) \_\_\_\_\_

CIP Code: 140501

Accrediting Agency (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

#### I. PROPOSED CHANGE(S) IN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
1. Number of transfer credits allowed	_____	_____
2. Residence requirement (minimum of one year before and after Qualifying Exams)	_____	_____
3. Language(s) and/or skill(s) required	_____	_____
4. Provisions for monitoring progress and Termination criteria	_____	_____
5. Total credit hours required (if applicable)	_____	_____
6. Required courses (if applicable)	_____	_____
7. Required distribution of courses within program (if applicable)	_____	_____
8. Minor area or courses outside program required (if applicable)	_____	_____
9. Distribution of courses levels required (400G-500/600-700)	_____	_____
10. Qualifying examination requirements	_____	_____

NOTE: To the extent that changes in 6 or 8 above involve additional courses to other programs, please include documentation from the program(s) pertaining to the availability of such courses.

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11. Any other requirements not covered above

Addition of Model II for satisfying the doctoral residence requirement.

**II. RATIONALE FOR CHANGE(S)**

If the rationale involves accreditation requirements, please include specific references to those requirements.

Although most BME students utilize Model I in fulfilling the doctoral residence requirement, some need Model II. Because the field of BME is interdisciplinary in nature, students often take specialized courses, not only in BME but in other programs as well, that are not offered every year. Consequently, some students are experiencing a situation in which a course recommended by the advisory committee cannot be taken for a year, and the students carry part-time course loads while working on their dissertation research. In addition, unavailability of Model II precludes enrollment of part-time students who are employed outside the University.

**Signatures of Approval:**

*David B. Co*

Department Chair

12/4/03

Date

Dean of the College

Date

Date of Notice to the Faculty

\*Undergraduate Council

Date

\*University Studies

Date

*J. Blackwell*

\*Graduate Council

3-19-04

Date

Academic Council for the Medical Center

Date

Senate Council

Date of Notice to University Senate

\*If applicable, as provided by the Rules of the University Senate

ACTION OTHER THAN APPROVAL