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THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

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# Scope of responsibility

All graduate degrees and post-baccalaureate certificates, except

- School of Law
- School of Medicine
- School of Dental Medicine
  - The Graduate School does oversee the M. Dent.Sci.
- Doctor of Pharmacy

# Roles of The Graduate School

- Graduate programs
  - Program approvals (Executive Committee of The Graduate School)
  - Academic standards (Graduate Faculty Council)
- Graduate admissions
- Graduate student and postdoctoral affairs
  - Fellowships from The Graduate School
  - Community, support, and professional development
  - Individual student issues
  - Academic dispute resolution
- Graduate Employees Union (with Labor Relations)
- Postdoctoral research associates union (with Labor Relations)

# Graduate Programs

- Degree programs
  - Organized in *fields of study*
  - Academic department may offer degrees in several *fields of study*, e.g., Master's of Public Administration, Master's of Public Policy
  - *Fields of study* may cross departments, e.g., Medieval Studies, Materials Science
  - *Fields of study* may include *areas of concentration*
- Certificate programs
  - Post-baccalaureate study
  - Typically 12 credits

# Typical interactions

- Create/modify/eliminate a field of study
- Appoint graduate faculty
- Nominate students for fellowships from The Graduate School
- Request for waiver of requirements in The Graduate Catalog, e.g., time to degree
- Advice on external training grants, individual graduate fellowships
- Questions about graduate assistant contract, postdoctoral research associate contract (when in place)