

Academic Programs Committee (APC), Subcommittee A

Resolution on the proposal for joint sponsorship of the PhD in Integrated Biology and Medicine (IBM) at Duke-NUS by Duke and NUS

Subcommittee A of the APC reviewed the proposal for a joint PhD program between Duke University and the National University of Singapore, the Integrated Biology and Medicine PhD program at Duke-NUS on December 2, 2015. The committee met with Patrick Casey (Senior Vice Dean for Research Duke-NUS), Michael Merson (Vice Chancellor for Duke-NUS), Chris Nicchitta (Associate Dean for Research Training in School of Medicine), and Soman Abraham (Duke faculty liaison to Duke-NUS) to discuss the proposal. The committee strongly agreed that the sponsorship of this degree by Duke is likely to substantially increase training and research opportunities between Duke and NUS. The committee agreed that the proposed PhD program will be based on principles and qualities of a Duke degree, and that it will maintain the long-term engagement of Duke faculty and students. Overall the committee is supportive of this proposal.

After the APC-A meeting, the proposal was revised slightly to include an executive summary paragraph, and a summary list of requirements for the degree, how they will be met by Duke-NUS students, and special provisions made for the joint program. These two summaries did not change the content of the proposal. The revised proposal was submitted January 8, 2016. The APC-A discussed these revisions on January 13, 2016.

APC-A Voted on this Resolution on January 13, 2016:

10 in favor
0 against
1 abstention due to absence for discussion