

IUPUI GAC Reviewer Form

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Document Reviewed: Certificate in Clinical Research

1. Are the goals clear and achievable – The goal of the program, to increase the number and quality of clinical investigators, is clearly stated. It should have a positive impact in increasing the number of students who have these types of skills.
2. Is the program academically sound – This should be a very strong academic program. It utilizes the courses in the existing Master of Science in Clinical Research degree program. That program has excellent faculty and well developed courses.
3. Are faculty resources available to offer this certificate without undercutting other key missions of the unit? – This certificate program will utilize existing courses and faculty. Therefore, all the resources necessary for the program are already in place. This certificate program should have a positive impact on what the program and Medical School are trying to achieve in research.
4. Is there overlap, either real or potential, with any other unit that could harm the program or be exploited to help the program? – This program should benefit other units and schools at IUPUI by potentially increasing the number and quality of clinical investigators with a wide variety of backgrounds.
5. Recommendations, comments/concerns regarding the proposal – I think this is an excellent idea and strongly support the proposal. While it is hard to predict how successful this will be in enrollment, it is certainly worth trying to provide this other option for potential students. Assuming they achieve their goals, this would be positive for the Medical School and campus. The only question I had was whether there were any rules that might impact their ability to award the certificate to someone who drops out of the Master's program assuming they have met the certificate requirements. I think it is a good idea.