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DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL AND MOLECULAR GENETICS

School of Medicine

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Dr. Simon J. Rhodes, Ph.D.
Associate Dean for Graduate Studies
IU School of Medicine
MS Room 213
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Re: **MMGE curriculum updates**

Dear Dean Rhodes:

In an effort to provide more opportunities for our Ph.D. students to complete their major requirements in the Medical and Molecular Genetics (MGEN) PhD program, our faculty recently approved the addition of three established courses that can now be used for credit towards the MGEN PhD major. One of these courses offered by our department, Q660 (1 cr. Seminar course), is currently required to be taken by our students, but did not previously count towards their major credit requirements. The other two IBMG courses, G720 (2 cr. Stem Cell Biology) and G848 (2cr. Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics), are taught by many of our program faculty (G720), as part of medical genetics research of stem cells, or are taken by many students within our program (G848) as an introduction to genomics/population genetics.

The faculty vote was unanimous to include these courses as part of our MGEN curriculum (I have attached an excerpt of the minutes from our faculty meeting for your review). I therefore am sending this information to you and the Graduate Office for approval to recognize these additional course options for our MGEN program requirements. Please feel free to contact me if you need further information.

Sincerely,

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