

Example – Establishment of a New Academic Administrative Position

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Approval to Establish a New Academic Administrative Position

POSITION TITLE: Chair, Department of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2001

The dean and the executive committee of the College of Engineering request approval to establish the position of chair of the Department of Biomedical Engineering, effective July 1, 2001.

The creation of the Department of Biomedical Engineering was approved by the Board of Regents in May 2000 after extensive discussion between and among the College of Engineering, the Medical School, and the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies to transform the University's Bioengineering Program into a permanent, cohesive structure. The department will position the University to successfully compete for the best students and faculty working in such areas as biomedical imaging, biomechanics, biomaterial, bioelectrical systems, and biotechnology.

The department will consist of approximately twelve full time faculty, composed of new hires and faculty who currently have primary appointments in the College of Engineering or the Medical School. The Department of Biomedical Engineering is the organizational unit needed to sustain and enhance the reputation of the University of Michigan for excellence in bioengineering education and research.

The chair will be responsible for providing academic, administrative, and financial leadership for the department.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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