

## PhD Program Student Academic Advisement Policy

**Subject:** Academic Advisement

**Effective Date:** 08/1997

**Scope:** PhD Program

**Date Reviewed/Revised:** 1/2024

**Responsible Office:**  
Research Department, PhD Program.

**Next Scheduled Review Date:** 1/2027

**Responsible Executive:** PhD Program  
Director

### I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

All doctoral students will be advised by a Research Department faculty member throughout the doctoral program. The student is assigned to an advisor upon admission to the program. The advisor continues with the student during the program of study as long as it is mutually agreeable with the student and advisor. The student's advisor provides academic advisement, and may also serve on the mentorship team and dissertation committee. The student has the option to ask another eligible faculty member to assume the advisor role anytime during the program until the appointment of the dissertation committee. Upon the appointment of a dissertation committee, the chairperson of the dissertation committee becomes the faculty advisor for the remainder of the program. If a student changes advisors, it is the student's responsibility to notify, in writing, the present advisor, the PhD Program Director and the Student Affairs Office of the change.

### II. DEFINITIONS

Not applicable

### III. PROCEDURE

See I. Policy and General Statement

### IV. CONTACTS

List the phone number and email/web address of the office and/or person who is the subject matter expert on this policy and can answer questions regarding application and interpretation of the policy.

Contact	Telephone	Email/Web Address
PhD Program Director	713-500-2025	<a href="https://nursing.uth.edu/programs/phd/">https://nursing.uth.edu/programs/phd/</a>