

The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Sam Taub and Beatrice Burton Endowed Scholarship in Vision Disease
Application Cover Sheet and Instructions

Name of Applicant: _____ Name of Advisor: _____

Department: _____ Phone: _____

Institution: _____ E-mail: _____

Title of Project

By my signature, I confirm that the information provided is accurate, and I officially request that the GSBS attach a copy of my transcript to this application.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Eligibility:

Student applicants must be in good standing in a GSBS degree program and must have advanced to Ph.D. candidacy. The research project of the student applicant must be in the area of vision.

Instructions:

All application materials, including letters of recommendation, must be received before 5 p.m., **Friday, August 15, 2008**, and should include the following:

- 1) This completed cover sheet
- 2) A current *Curriculum Vita*
- 3) A description of the student's research project including a brief background, rationale for the study, importance of the work to the area of vision disease, and a clearly stated hypothesis and research plan (2 pages maximum), followed by the results obtained to date, the significance of the findings, conclusions drawn, future research plans, and references (3 pages maximum).
- 4) A brief abstract (1 page maximum) summarizing in "lay terms" the points in 3) above and emphasizing the relevance of the work to vision disease.
- 5) Letters of recommendation from the student's supervisory professor and one additional GSBS faculty member familiar with the student's research. These letters should address the quality of the student's research performance, its relevance to vision disease, the student's potential for a career in vision research, and the student's ability to communicate his or her work to the scientific and lay communities.
- 6) Reprints of any publications or abstracts published or submitted, or other supporting materials the applicant wishes to submit
- 7) A copy of your GSBS transcript will be added by the Office of Academic Affairs.

Submit applications and address questions to:

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