

PROVISIONAL APPROVAL OF NEW PROGRAMS – RESOLUTION

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREE IN BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

WHEREAS, the proposed *Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Biomedical Engineering* provides a new graduate course of study in a rapidly growing occupational field that bridges the gap between engineering and the biological sciences,

WHEREAS, the proposed program builds upon the research strength, educational resources and infrastructure of Departments across the Colleges of Engineering and Arts & Sciences, as well as from the Delaware Biotechnology Institute, the Center for Bioinformatics & Computational Biology, and the Delaware Rehabilitation Institute,

WHEREAS, the proposed program contributes to the scholarly and educational missions of the University—to disseminate scientific, humanistic, and social knowledge for the benefit of the larger society and to produce graduates who are prepared to contribute to a global society, addressing the critical needs of the state, nation and global community, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program fosters multi- and interdisciplinary research and educational collaboration across campus, providing a critical component to University's strategic priorities in life and health sciences, and serving as a pillar of UD's *Path to Prominence*, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves provisionally, for five years, the establishment of a new program leading to the *Doctor of Philosophy degree in Biomedical Engineering*, effective June 1, 2012.