

**College of Graduate Studies
Medical University of South Carolina**

PLAN OF RESEARCH

Ph.D. Degree

The proposed Plan of Research, as submitted by _____, is approved by the Advisory Committee:

Signatures of the Advisory Committee:

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Date

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Department Chairperson

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Graduate Coordinator

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Prior to the student's being certified as a candidate for the Ph.D. Degree, (no later than six months after passing the qualifying examinations), he/she will submit a research proposal, in NIH grant format on the dissertation topic. This proposal should show evidence of creative integration of course material, superimposed on a sound understanding of the pertinent literature.

The topic chosen for the Ph.D. dissertation shall be approved by both the advisor and the department chairman, the latter with regard to availability and utilization of departmental resources.