CBM Faculty Committee Requirements

Faculty committee requirements for CBM students are listed below. These requirements meet or exceed those of the graduate schools in which students are formally matriculated. Committee selections should be made in consultation with the Major Sponsor (thesis advisor). Appointments of non-CBM faculty members to these required committee slots are generally not permitted and require prior approval of the CBM Program Director. However, additional faculty appointments above and beyond these requirements do not require approval.

**CBM Deadlines**

- Candidacy exam: must be completed successfully by June 30 of Year 2
- Annual meetings: must be completed annually

*Any extensions must be requested in advance by formal written request to the CBM Program Director.*

**Weill Cornell Graduate School of Medical Sciences**

*(applies to CBM students in WCM and MSK thesis labs)*

- Candidacy exam: Admission to Candidacy Exam (ACE) Committee
- Annual meetings: Special Committee
- Thesis defense: Final Examination Committee

CBM requires 4 faculty members (must be members of WCGS) for all three committees:

1. Major Sponsor (WCM or MSK)
2. CBM Faculty (WCM or MSK) — also serves as committee chairperson
3. CBM Faculty (WCM or MSK)
4. CBM Faculty (WCM or MSK or RU or CU-I) — cannot be from same institution as thesis lab

**The David Rockefeller Graduate Program**

*(applies to CBM students in RU thesis labs)*

- Candidacy exam: Thesis Research Proposal (TRP) to Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC)
- Annual meetings: Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC)
- Thesis defense: Thesis Committee

CBM requires 4 faculty members for the FAC and an additional external examiner for the thesis defense:

1. Major Sponsor (RU)
2. CBM Faculty (RU) — also serves as committee chairperson
3. CBM Faculty (RU)
4. CBM Faculty (WCM or MSK) — cannot be from same institution as thesis lab

*For thesis defense only:*

5. External Examiner (non-RU) — any institution, but may NOT be CBM or Tri-I faculty