



Biomedical Science PhD Program
Request for Waiver of the Third Laboratory Rotation

There are a number of important elements in selecting your major advisor and thesis laboratory. Notably, it is important to recognize that the experience and professional relationship between the student and advisor will determine your success in your thesis studies. You will spend a good chunk of your adult life in your thesis lab and it is important that this choice be made wisely so that you have the opportunity to gain the greatest possible benefit from the educational, research, and future opportunities perspectives. The decision to pursue a thesis and waive your third rotation should not be based solely on the financial resources and/or availability of positions, as these are dynamic factors that change frequently.

This is a two-page form. Please type the information on the form. Hand written forms are not acceptable. Return the completed form to the Chair of the Graduate Programs Committee, Dr. Lynn Puddington, puddington@uchc.edu, 860-679-4655.

Name:	
Proposed thesis advisor:	
Proposed area of concentration:	
Date:	

Considering the information above, discuss your reason(s) for requesting a waiver of the third laboratory rotation:

	My overall GPA is at least 3.0
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Advisor for first laboratory rotation:	
Advisor for second laboratory rotation:	

Signatures	
Student:	
First year advisor:	
Future Major Advisor:	
AoC Director:	
Department Chair or Center Director:	

This waiver is contingent upon earning a passing grade (B or better) in both laboratory rotations. Upon receiving the waiver, the student should complete Parts I and II of the Change of Major Advisor form, which can be found at <https://health.uconn.edu/graduate-school/current/>

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Approve	
Disapprove	
Date	

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