

**Degree Candidacy Form Instructions**  
**for School of Medicine Graduate Students**

1. Students should initiate this form only after being directed to do so by their Graduate Programs. The form is available here: <https://graduate.vcu.edu/student/candidacy.html>
2. Students should follow all instructions in this document and the above URL.
3. Specific instructions for School of Medicine graduate students are
  - a. Under “Graduate Program Director – Required”, type the name of your program director and his/her email address from the table below
  - b. Under “School Dean/Designee – Required”, type Harold Greenwald (name) and harold.greenwald@vcuhealth.org (email)

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