

Standard:	7	Program of Study
Criterion:	7.08	Clinical Research Projects
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INSTITUTIONAL COMPONENTS

These components are defined as those relevant only to entities that are institutionally accredited by ACAOM. These institutional components are not relevant or pertinent to the schools that rely on ACAOM for programmatic accreditation only.

There are no Institutional Components for this criterion.

PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS

These components are defined as those that are relevant to ACAOM programs, regardless of the institutional accreditation. Programmatic components may be further differentiated as applicable to all program levels (i.e., Masters, Professional Doctorate) or applicable to only one program level.

POST-GRADUATE DOCTORATE [DAOM] PROGRAMS:

- A. The doctoral program must require students to demonstrate the achievement of professional competencies under the Professional Development Domain as outlined in criterion 7.04 by completing an acceptable clinically oriented research project. The project must demonstrate the necessary knowledge and skills for designing and critiquing approaches to systematic inquiry and the use of qualitative and/or quantitative methods. Clinical research projects may include, but are not limited to:
1. Theoretical analyses
 2. Surveys or analyses of archival data
 3. Outcomes research
 4. Systematic, qualitative investigations
 5. Public policy issues
 6. Case studies
 7. Evaluative research
 8. Interpretive translation research
 9. Educational research - professional and patient
- B. The products from clinical research projects must meet academic form and style standards suitable for peer-reviewed professional publications.
- C. The program must develop a comprehensive, faculty committee-based review process for the clinical research projects that includes, at a minimum, evaluation of:

1. the research interest,
2. data gathering methods,
3. progress toward completion, and
4. final project content, format, and delivery.

Revision History

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