Agreement Form for Doctoral Students and Supervisors of the Fribourg Graduate School of Life Sciences & Medicine (FGLM)

The FGLM is an interdisciplinary graduate school, which offers, on a voluntary and participatory basis, a coordinated doctoral program in life sciences at the University of Fribourg. It addresses all doctoral students in the field of life science (including biology, medicine, biochemistry, bioinformatics, but also doctoral students in chemistry, physics, statistics and mathematics with a life science focus). The aim of the FGLM is to complement the regular training of PhD / MD students in the life sciences at UniFR by fostering and offering continuing education opportunities on a voluntary basis. It is open to all PhD/MD students performing research in the life sciences at UniFR.

The voluntary participation of PhD/MD students in the FGLM (i) requires the **formal approval of the official thesis supervisor** and (ii) is elective/ optional, *i.e.* participation in the FGLM is not compulsory and not formally required for obtaining a PhD or MD degree. PhD/MD students (and their supervisors) who wish to voluntarily enroll in the FGLM program agree to abide by the FGLM bylaws; PhD/MD students and their supervisors can leave the FGLM at any point if both wish to do so.

The requirements for continuing education of PhD/MD students are specified in Article 13 of the "Regulation for the award of the doctorate at the Faculty of Science & Medicine" (<u>https://www3.unifr.ch/apps/legal/fr/document/927509</u>) and in Article 12 of the "Regulation for the award of the doctorate in medicine at the Faculty of Science & Medicine" (<u>https://www3.unifr.ch/apps/legal/de/document/916986</u>). These articles state that the official thesis supervisors have the right to decide on the details of the continuing training of their PhD/MD students.

By signing the agreement below the supervisors agree to the continuing education / training program offered by the FGLM.

By co-signing this agreement with their supervisor, the doctoral students commit themselves to the continuing training program offered by the FGLM and to complete the required course work (for details see the FGLM bylaws).

Date:

Start date of PhD/MD thesis: Name of supervisor: Signature of supervisor:

Name of doctoral student:

Signature of doctoral student:

Department: Research field: