Vision and Mission Statement

**VISION**

The GCB provides comprehensive, internationally competitive training in theory and practice of experimental research as well as in-depth specialist knowledge of the individually selected research area. It directs students towards independent scientific work and enables them to assume scientific responsibility.

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The GCB doctoral program promotes doctoral program excellence. The graduate school promotes high quality, teaching and training programs combined with rigorous, experimental, translational biomedical research. At the same time, it ensures high standards of integrity and encourages the students to work independently and responsibly while acquiring profound knowledge in selected research areas.

- **Deliver Excellence.** Offer an excellent comprehensive graduate course curriculum that educates students in broad and multidisciplinary areas including the most current biomedical research developments. The graduate school provides opportunities for students to individually tailor their course curriculum to specific needs.

- **Quality and Integrity.** Develop and maintain high quality graduate programs to impart knowledge, foster innovation, and drive creativity while ensuring excellence and integrity in training and research, using state-of-the-art methods in molecular life sciences biomedical sciences and biomedical engineering.

- **Preparedness.** Prepare graduates for professional careers and post-doctoral studies by steady presence and strong support from the Graduate School across all touchpoints in the student life (including academic and professional), such as mentoring resources for professional career development and self-care that enhances experiences, mental and psychological health, and exposing the student to the social, network, culture, and broader practice norms and requirements associated with their selected discipline.

- **Support and develop.** Provide programs that encourage students coming from other cultures to produce well-trained, skilled, and innovative graduates who are positioned to be successful leaders who will then contribute productively whether here in Switzerland, in their country of origin and on an international level, and whether in academia, industry, government or non-profit organizations.

- **Visibility of the Graduate School.** Raise the recognition and visibility of the GCB to attract quality students, build networks and connections, and to serve as a conduit to agencies and organizations relevant to all students; prospective, current, or recently graduated.