



Dissertation Examination/Defense Form

Please complete this form if you plan on defending your dissertation in the current semester. Please read the instructions on the opposite page to ensure you have completed all necessary requirements.

Student Name: _____ GWID: _____

Program: _____

Semester Defending: _____ Defense Date: _____

Dissertation Committee

POSITION	NAME	TITLE	ACADEMIC UNIT
Director*			
Co-Director			
Reader			
Reader			

*Outside Director's affiliation (if applicable): _____

Defense Committee

Chair Name: _____ Title: _____

EXAMINERS	NAME	TITLE	ACADEMIC UNIT
Internal			
External			
External			

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Defense Committee Chair: _____ Date: _____

This form must be completed once the examination committee is finalized and before the defense. This form must be received as part of the CCAS preclearance deadline.

Construction of examination committee

Examination committees must be composed of at least six members, allocated in the following manner.

- a. **The dissertation committee**—A director and two readers who have advised the student during the dissertation research process. It is permissible for the director to be drawn from outside of the academic unit in which the student is enrolled. If the director is from outside of the academic unit, then the committee must also have a co-director from inside the unit. Please indicate your outside director's affiliation on this form.
- b. **Two examiners**—Examiners cannot have had a direct role in the dissertation research process. One examiner must be from within the academic unit, with the other examiner coming from outside of the academic unit. A third examiner is permitted but not required.
- c. **The chair of the examination**—The examination is chaired by a member of the academic unit in which the student is enrolled. *The chair cannot be drawn from the dissertation committee or examiners.*