

**THESIS/DISSERTATION/DOCTORAL PROJECT FINAL DEFENSE EVALUATION
BY COMMITTEE MEMBER**

The following student has completed his/her Thesis/Dissertation/Doctoral Project Final Defense.

Name: _____ **ID:** _____

Program: _____ **Degree Type:** _____

Title of Thesis/Dissertation/Doctoral Project: _____

Committee Members' Comments:

- ☐ **Approved with no changes -
(Provide detailed summary.)**
- ☐ **Approved with minor changes
(Provide detailed summary.)**
- ☐ **Not approved, significant revisions and new final defense is required
(Provide detailed summary.)**

Committee's Overall Recommendation for Student:

Member Name

Member Signature

Date

Chair

Co-Chair (if applicable)

Member

Member

Member

Member

Graduate Program Coordinator: _____

Department Head: _____

Dean of College/School: _____

Dean of Graduate Studies: _____

Each Committee Member submits this Form to the Chair who then uploads it to SharePoint for review by Graduate Studies.

Rubric for Successful Thesis/Dissertation/Doctoral Project FINAL DEFENSE

| Category | Description | Rating (1-5) Comments/Rating | |
|--|--|---------------------------------|------|
| Research Questions/Introduction | Provides clear introduction of the problem; provides justification for the study; clarifies questions and provides a clearly articulated and defensible hypothesis | | |
| Literature Review/References and Citations | Identifies relevant research and literature; provides well-organized and timely critique; included appropriate use of references and in-text citations | | |
| Theory | Uses theory, if applicable, to generate the hypothesis or to clarify the problem area | | |
| Methodology | Identifies appropriate methods and techniques; identifies any limitations, and provided a clear plan for analysis | | |
| Analysis/ Presentation of Results | Clearly align with hypothesis and methodology; results were presented visually (e.g. tables and figures) and clearly summarized | | |
| Discussion/Implications/Limitations | Gives clear summary of key insights gained; clarifies how findings and hypothesis advance the field; included new knowledge along with implications of findings for theory, limitations, and future research | | |
| Quality of Writing | Was well-organized; cohesive; free of mechanical and grammatical errors | | |
| Overall Quality of Research and Presentation of Work | Responses were well-poised and demonstrated knowledge of field of study; answers questions accurately, was able to clarify concerns in the document; articulated with appropriate word choice; body language was confident and professional; exhibited ability to maintain eye contact and poise; was responsive to feedback | | |
| FINAL OUTCOME | | PASS | FAIL |

Each Committee Member Adds Comments in Textbox

Committee Member's Signature _____ Date: _____