

Application for Final Oral Examination

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INSTRUCTIONS

Submit this completed form to the Office of Graduate Studies at least three weeks before the final oral examination; or if the exam is waived, three weeks before the final dissertation is due in the Office of Graduate Studies. *All information must be typed.*

STUDENT AND PROGRAM INFORMATION

Full Name _____ NU ID Number _____
Mailing Address _____
Degree Ph.D. Ed.D. D.M.A. Major _____
Specialization _____ Minor _____
Dissertation Title _____

APPROVAL BY THE READING COMMITTEE TO PROCEED WITH ORAL DEFENSE OF DISSERTATION

Final Oral Examination: _____
Time Date Location

Signature, First Reader Date Signature, Second Reader Date

Signature, Supervisory Committee Chair Date Signature, Supervisory Committee Co-Chair Date

ORAL EXAMINATION ATTENDANCE

Type the names of the members who have agreed to attend the oral examination.

Chair

_____ *Outside Representative*

GRADUATE STUDIES ACTION

Approved by Dean of Graduate Studies _____
Signature Date

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READING COMMITTEES FOR DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS

1. Following approval by the major adviser, the dissertation and abstract should be presented to the Reading Committee in time for its review, and recommendation of its members at least **five weeks prior to the oral examination**. The Reading Committee bears a responsibility to complete their evaluation in a reasonable time frame.
2. An oral defense of a dissertation which has been disapproved or unfavorably reported upon by both members of the Reading Committee should not be scheduled by the Supervisory Committee until the basis for the disapproval has been removed. If the criticisms involve extensive changes, the question of rejecting the dissertation entirely or postponing its defense should be seriously considered by the Supervisory Committee.
3. The Chair or Co-Chairs of the Supervisory Committee must file in the Graduate Office at least **three weeks** prior to the oral examination either:
 - a. A recommendation (the Application for Final Oral Examination) signed by each member of the Reading Committee indicating general approval to defend the dissertation and abstract with the names of those to be in attendance at defense listed; or
 - b. A statement signed by a majority of the Supervisory Committee indicating that the Committee rejected an adverse report by one member of the Reading Committee and recommends that the candidate be permitted to proceed to an oral examination defense of the dissertation and abstract.

PREPARATION AND PUBLICATION OF ABSTRACT AND DISSERTATION

The adviser and the Supervisory Committee should understand that the entire dissertation including the names of the committee members will be downloaded exactly as submitted and approved by the committee as an outcome of the oral defense and that copies of these downloads are procurable by anyone. This constitutes publication and may be copyrighted but there is no possibility of editorial or other changes in the manuscript after committee approval and depositing of the dissertation in the library.

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