

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DISSERTATION PROPOSAL ASSESSMENT FORM

Student Name: _____ Date of Assessment: _____

1. *Problem Identification and Research Objectives* – How well does the student identify and formulate problems motivating the research and the appropriate research objectives?
 Unsatisfactory Poor Good Excellent Outstanding
2. *Review of Existing Literature* – How well does the student conduct a detailed examination of previous literature to identify relevant approaches to address the research problems?
 Unsatisfactory Poor Good Excellent Outstanding
3. *Problem-Solving Process* – How well does the student effectively use program knowledge to structure a problem-solving process for conducting the dissertation research?
 Unsatisfactory Poor Good Excellent Outstanding
4. *Written Communication* – How would you rate the quality of the student’s written dissertation documents, including the presentation slides?
 Unsatisfactory Poor Good Excellent Outstanding
5. *Oral Communication* – How would you rate the student’s ability to present an oral presentation of the proposed thesis research and respond coherently to questions?
 Unsatisfactory Poor Good Excellent Outstanding
6. *Impact* - In your opinion, what is the likelihood that this work can be published in a top-tier (peer-reviewed) journal?
 Highly Unlikely Somewhat Unlikely Somewhat Likely Highly Likely

Optional Comment Box:

Faculty Assessor (print name) _____ Signature: _____

Please return this completed assessment form to: Alan Erera or Amanda Ford, Graduate Academic Office