

**THE GRADUATE SCHOOL**  
**Texas A&M University-Commerce**  
**DOCTORAL COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION FOR *PHD in Educational Psychology***

**1. TO BE COMPLETED BY STUDENT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CWID#: \_\_\_\_\_

myLeo Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**I acknowledge that a 2<sup>nd</sup> failure (whether first attempt or second of any section) of the doctoral comprehensive exam will result in my permanent withdrawal from the doctoral program.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature Date

**2. TO BE COMPLETED BY MAJOR ADVISOR and DEPARTMENT**

Results of Learning and Cognition	___ Satisfactory	___ 1 <sup>st</sup> Fail	___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fail	Date of exam _____
Results of Cognition and Instruction	___ Satisfactory	___ 1 <sup>st</sup> Fail	___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fail	Date of exam _____
Results of History and Ethics	___ Satisfactory	___ 1 <sup>st</sup> Fail	___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fail	Date of exam _____
Results of Statistics and Research Methods	___ Satisfactory	___ 1 <sup>st</sup> Fail	___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fail	Date of exam _____
Results of Oral Exam	___ Satisfactory	___ 1 <sup>st</sup> Fail	___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fail	Date of exam _____

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

- Does the student have any outstanding coursework? (Y or N) \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, list any outstanding coursework: \_\_\_\_\_
- Doctoral residency is completed. (Y or N) \_\_\_\_\_
- Has the student's DegreeWorks been reviewed? (Y or N) \_\_\_\_\_
- Are there any changes needed on the student's DegreeWorks plan?  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
**Major Advisor's Signature** **Date**

Member \_\_\_\_\_ Major Dept. Head \_\_\_\_\_

Member \_\_\_\_\_

Member \_\_\_\_\_

Member \_\_\_\_\_

**3. COMPLETED BY THE GRADUATE SCHOOL**

**Remaining courses to be completed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GRADUATION MUST BE COMPLETED BY** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADMITTED TO CANDIDACY** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dean, Graduate School

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# NOTES

- You will only have 2 attempts at passing any one section of the doctoral comprehensive exams.
  - If you fail one section of the doctoral comprehensive exam, you must make the second attempt at the failed section the next time you take the exams.
  - **A SECOND FAILURE ON ANY ONE SECTION WILL RESULT IN WITHDRAWAL FROM THE PROGRAM AND PERMANENT SUSPENSION FROM THE DOCTORATE.** You will not be allowed to complete the degree and have the doctoral degree awarded.
  - A minor can only be listed and awarded if it a department-approved minor that follows the requirements of the Graduate Catalog, the student has taken new courses outside of master's degree (cannot be master's degree or courses used in 90-hour doctoral degree plan), one committee member must be from the minor department and the student must have taken a comprehensive exam over the minor held by the minor department.
  - Upon successfully completion of your doctoral comprehensive exams and review by the Graduate School; you will become a doctoral candidate also known as admissions to candidacy.
  - After admissions to candidacy, you will be required to enroll in at least three hours of dissertation (718) each fall and spring semester until your degree is conferred. Summer enrollment is required if using university facilities/resources and/or counsel of your major adviser.
  - After all coursework has been completed, not including 718, you may qualify for reduced tuition. This is an automated process and you will see the tuition change the first semester after your doctoral candidacy has been awarded.
  - **99 hour rule:** You should be aware that in 1993 the legislature eliminated state funding for doctoral students who have completed more than 100 semester hours of credit while working on a doctoral program. It also provided that university Board of Regents could charge the non resident tuition and fee rates for those students who exceed the 100 hours.  
Our Board has instituted the non resident rate beginning the Fall 1999 semester. Therefore if you have accumulated over 100 hours you will pay approx. \$1,000 for a three-hour course, including dissertation (718) hours.  
Hopefully, this will not be a problem for you, but you need to be aware of any changes that could impact your progress toward completing your degree.
- If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact Vicky Turner, Doctoral Degree Coordinator, 903/886-5167 or e-mail: [Vicky.Turner@tamuc.edu](mailto:Vicky.Turner@tamuc.edu).



## DISSERTATION COMMITTEE SELECTION FORM

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OFFICE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Email: \_\_\_\_\_ CWID: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree/Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Dissertation Title: \_\_\_\_\_

If any committee member listed below is not A&M-Commerce Graduate Faculty, the individual must gain [temporary graduate faculty status](#) before this committee is approved.

Listed below are the faculty members who will comprise my dissertation committee (for both proposal and final).

Major

Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name) (signature) (date)

Departmental Committee Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name) (signature) (date)

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(print name) (signature) (date)

Departmental Committee Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name) (signature) (date)

Out-of-Department Committee Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name) (signature) (date)

According to TAMUC Rule 11.04.99.R0.23/1.5 the out-of-department dissertation committee member may be recruited by the department head, committee chair and/or the Dean of Graduate Studies. This committee member "is charged with bringing significant and helpful cross-disciplinary perspectives to bear on the research and writing of the dissertation." Such contributions may be in terms of suggesting related findings or methods from another discipline or a unique perspective on the problem under investigation as a result of the out-of-departments committee members experience, education or scholarship.

**Approved by:**

Department Head: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name) (signature) (date)

Dean of Graduate Studies: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name) (signature) (date)

**Submit completed Dissertation Committee Selection form to the Office of Thesis and Dissertation Services prior to scheduling dissertation proposal: [OTDS@tamuc.edu](mailto:OTDS@tamuc.edu)**