

Dissertation Prospectus Chair Evaluation and Approval Form

Instructions: A completed Dissertation Prospectus and this approval form signed by the Dissertation Chair must be distributed by the student to their Qualifying Examination (QE) committee **at least four weeks prior to the scheduled QE date.**

STUDENT NAME

DISSERTATION CHAIR NAME

DISSERTATION TITLE

Research Problem, Theory, and Research Questions

1. The prospectus describes a research or social problem that is clearly relevant to Social Work/ Social Welfare.
 Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree
2. The prospectus provides a sound overview of the relevant research literature in this area.
 Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree
3. The prospectus includes a conceptual framework and/or theoretical orientation relevant to the problem under study.
 Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree
4. The research questions are clearly articulated.
 Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree

Methods

5. Overall, the methods described are clearly linked to the research questions and a well-established epistemological perspective.
 Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree
6. The methods are of a sufficient scope and rigor likely to produce original knowledge and the potential of significant scholarly contribution to the field of Social Welfare.
 Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree
7. The sampling, measures, data collection approach, and analysis techniques are appropriate to the research questions posed.
 Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree
8. The prospectus addresses human subjects concerns and outlines a plan for obtaining CPHS approvals.
 Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree

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Timeline

9. A realistic timeline is described in sufficient detail.

Strongly Agree Agree with some reservations Disagree

Overall Assessment and Next Steps

The dissertation prospectus needs:

Major revision Modest revision Minor revision

Any required revisions must be completed prior to submitting the Application for Advancement to Candidacy e-form in CalCentral following a successful Qualifying Exam. The GSAO will not approve the Application for Advancement to Candidacy until required revisions to the prospectus have been accepted by the Dissertation Chair.

Comments:

Dissertation Chair Prospectus Approval

Dissertation Chair's signature below signifies that this dissertation prospectus is chair-approved (subject to concerns raised by other committee members after circulation, chair is comfortable with this prospectus considered final without need for further revisions):

DISSERTATION CHAIR SIGNATURE

DATE