EVALUATION RUBRIC: DISSERTATION (PHD) PRESENTATION EXAM

Candidate Name: _____   Date: _____

Title of Dissertation: _____

Evaluation/Guidance	Does not meet Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exemplary Performance	Not Observed
1. Problem Definition: Stated the research problem clearly, providing motivation for undertaking the research.				
2. Literature and Previous Work: Demonstrated sound knowledge of literature in the area, and of prior work on the specific research problem.				
3. Impact of Proposed Research: Demonstrated the potential value of solution to the research problem in advancing knowledge within the area of study.				
4. Solution Plan: Has applied sound state-of-the-field research methods/tools to solve the defined problem and has described the methods/tools effectively.				
5. Results: Analyzed and interpreted research results/data effectively.				
6. Quality of Written and Oral Communication: **(a)** Communicates research proposal clearly and professionally in both **(a)** written and **(b)** oral form. **(b)**				
7. Critical Thinking: Has demonstrated capability for independent research in the area of study, <u>significant expertise in the area</u>, and ability to make original contributions to the field.				
8. Broader Impact: Demonstrates awareness of broader implications of the proposed research. Broader implications may include social, economic, technical, ethical, business, etc. aspects.				
9. Ethics: Has received training in responsible and ethical conduct of research (RCR) through specific coursework or workshops.	YES / NO			
10. Publications: Journal or conference publications have results (or are anticipated) from this research.				

Overall Assessment: The assessment of the overall performance of the candidate based on the evidence provided in items 1-10 above.

CRITERIA	PERFORMANCE RATINGS		
	Does NOT PASS DISSERTATION DEFENSE Exam	Passes DISSERTATION Defense Exam	
OVERALL, My rating of the Examination	Does not meet Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exemplary Performance

Name of the Examining Committee Member: _____

Signature of the Examining Committee Member: _____