

Graduate students become candidates for the doctoral degree once they are granted formal admission to candidacy. Such admission requires the approval of the student's supervisory committee, the department chair, the college dean and the dean of the Graduate College. The approval must be based on (a) the academic record of the student, (b) the opinion of the supervisory committee concerning overall fitness for candidacy, (c) an approved dissertation topic and (d) a qualifying examination as determined by the appropriate department/program. **Please note: Doctoral students must be admitted to candidacy at least one semester before applying for graduation. Students may not register for dissertation credit until admitted to candidacy.** The full policy is available in the FAU Course Catalog here: <https://www.fau.edu/academic/registrar/FAUcatalog/degreerequirements.php>

Student Name: _____ **Z Number:** _____ **Date:** _____

Degree: _____ **Major:** _____

Doctoral Qualifying Examination(s) Passed (if applicable): _____ **Written Examination:** _____ **Oral Examination:** _____

Proposed Dissertation Title: _____ **Date Passed** _____ **Date Passed** _____

Dissertation Committee: Each doctoral candidate must have a Dissertation Committee comprised of at least three members of the Graduate Faculty. One of the members shall serve as the Chair of the Dissertation Committee (or two members may serve as Co-Chairs). Departments may have more stringent requirements. The full Graduate Faculty policy is available online here: www.fau.edu/graduate/faculty-and-staff/graduate-faculty.php

Dissertation Committee Chair or Co-Chairs:

Chair (Print name)

OR

Co-Chair (Print name)

Co-Chair (Print name)

 Chair (Signature)

 Co-Chair (Signature)

 Co-Chair (Signature)

Dissertation Committee Members (list all members that are not serving as a chair or co-chair):

Member (Print name)

Member (Print name)

Member (Print name)

Member (Print name)

Member (Print name)

 Member (Signature)

 Member (Signature)

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Dissertation Committee Approval by Department, Academic College, and Graduate College:

 Student (Signature)

 Date

 Student Email

 Department Chair or Designee (Signature)

 Date

 Department Chair or Designee Email

 College Dean or Designee (Signature)

 Date

 Dean of the Graduate College or Designee (Signature)*

 Date

*Please submit completed form to graduatesupport@fau.edu for Graduate College final approval/signature. A copy of the approved form will be emailed to the student and college designee(s) and kept on file in the Graduate College.