

## **Ph.D. DISSERTATION DEFENSE**

Candidate Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Evaluation/Guidance	Inadequate	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds
,		Expectation	Expectation	Expectation
1. Problem Definition: Stated the research		-	-	
problem or topic 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				
research problem				
3. Impact of Research: Demonstrated the				
potential value of the proposed solution to				
the research problem in advancing				
knowledge within the area of study				
4. Solution Plan: Provided a sound novel				
technical approach for solving the defined				
problem and showed a good understanding				
of the problem and the solution				
5. Expected Results: Analyzed and				
interpreted research results/data effectively				
6. Quality of Written Communication:				
Communicated thesis clearly and				
professionally in written form				
7. Quality of Oral Communication:				
Communicated thesis clearly and				
professionally in oral form				
8. Research Capability and Preparedness:				
Demonstrated the capability for				
independent research in the area of study,				
preparedness in core disciplines relevant to				
research, and ability to complete the				
proposed research				
9. Broader Impact: Demonstrated an				
awareness of broader implications of the				
proposed research. Broader implications				
may include social, economic, technical,				
ethical, business, etc. aspects				
10. Future Vision: Demonstrated a plan in				
terms of their future career objectives				
11. Ethics: Demonstrated an awareness of				
ethical standards of the discipline				

**Overall Assessment:** The assessment of the overall performance of the candidate based on the evidence provided in items 1 – 11 above.

CRITERIA	CRITERIA PERFORMANCE RATINGS for DISSERTATION DEFENSE						
	Does NOT PASS Defense		PASSES Defense				
OVERALL, My rating	Inadequate	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds			
of this dissertation		Expectation	Expectation	Expectation			
defense							
indicates that it:							

Name of the Examining Committee Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Examining Committee Member: \_\_\_\_\_

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