
Dissertation Score Form

Student first name

Student last name

Primary advisor first name

Primary advisor last name

Date of final defense (*mm-dd-yyyy*): _____

Score (*based on consensus of committee members*)

4 = excellent

3 = good

2 = meets expectations

1 = does not meet expectations

_____ Is there evidence that the candidate has mastery of the literature related to their topic area?

_____ Does the candidate demonstrate competency with methodology (study design and statistical analysis)?

_____ Does candidate discuss their topic adequately and appropriately answer questions about the content of their dissertation?

_____ Does the candidate adequately reflect the significance of their research and are they able to comment on how their research work moves the field forward?

_____ Is candidate's written document clear and concise?

_____ Is candidate's oral presentation clear and polished?

_____ Taking the above into consideration, what overall score would you assign to the final defense for this candidate?

Primary advisor signature

Date (*mm-dd-yyyy*)

The dissertation committee chair should complete this form with input from all committee members and forward a single form to Lori S. Smith, Epidemiology Student Affairs Manager and Program Administrator (smithl@pitt.edu).