

**EVALUATION RUBRIC: DISSERTATION (PHD) PRESENTATION EXAM
WOOD SCIENCE & ENGINEERING**

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: Applied sound state-of-the-field research methods/tools to solve the defined problem and described the methods/tools effectively.				
5. Results: Analyzed and interpreted research results/data effectively.				
6. Quality of Written and Oral Communication: Communicated research results clearly and professionally in both (a) written and (b) oral form.	(a)			
	(b)			
7. Critical Thinking: 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: Demonstrated awareness of broader implications of the concluded research. Broader implications may include social, economic, technical, ethical, business, and other aspects.				
9. Publications: Journal or conference publications have resulted (or are anticipated) from this research.				
10. Ethics: Received training in responsible and ethical conduct of research (RCR) through specific coursework or workshops.	YES/NO			

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 PERFORMANCE	Does not meet Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exemplary Performance

Name of the Examining Committee Member: _____

Signature of the Examining Committee Member: _____