

SCHOOL OF

GRADUATE STUDIES



EXAMINER'S **CONFIDENTIAL** REPORT

When the evaluation is **negative**, comments **MUST** be provided **three** working days before the oral examination.

Student Name:		Department:	
Oral Exam Date:		Degree:	
Examiner:		Department	
On the basis of the thesis submitted, should the oral examination be held and the candidate permitted to defend the thesis (type either YES or NO)?			
Comments: *Please observe the notes on the following page before evaluating the thesis.			

*GENERAL REGULATIONS AND NOTES FOR EXAMINERS

COMMENTS AND CRITICISMS: Examiners and Supervisors may be required to provide comments for the benefit of the Chair. When the evaluation is negative, COMMENTS MUST BE PROVIDED.

OUTCOME CATEGORIES: At the examination, examiners will be required to vote to place the thesis in one of the 3 outcome categories of Passed, Referred or Failed.

ATTENDANCE: Your presence is required at and for the duration of the examination. Any exceptions have to be arranged with and approved by the School of Graduate Studies prior to the examination.

THESIS REQUIREMENTS: A thesis must be expressed in a satisfactory form consistent with the discipline concerned, and display a scholarly approach to the subject and a thorough knowledge of it. A critical review of previous work related to the subject should be given. A master's thesis should demonstrate that the candidate is capable of original and independent work.

The thesis presentation MUST conform to that described in the "**General Forms of Theses**"

EVALUATION OF THE THESIS: The thesis must be appraised in relation to the requirement for the candidate's degree program. It is permissible to note corrections on your copy of the thesis. Comments and errata could also be listed separately, and criticisms should be substantiated.

In the case of two or more negative reports, the Chair of the committee may convene the committee to examine the reports and decide on what action to take. Normally, however, the procedure *outlined* in the General Regulation, **Negative Reports**, in the calendar of the School of Graduate Studies is followed:

"If any two of the examiners' reports recommend that the thesis oral not proceed, the candidate, the supervisor and the Head of Department should be consulted by the Chairperson of the Examining Committee to see if they wish to proceed with the oral defence. The onus is on the candidate to make the decision to proceed or not. If the candidate agrees that the oral be postponed, the Chairperson must convey to the candidate, through the supervisor, the nature of the revisions to the thesis that are advised, and the candidate has the right to present the revised thesis at a later date. At the subsequent submission of the thesis, the oral defence must be held."