

## **Annual Review of Graduate Students**

[Adopted January 2005]

### **PhD Students**

As required by the Graduate College, PhD students must undergo an annual review starting spring semester 2005. The review will be conducted by a committee of faculty members and serves to provide feedback to doctoral students regarding progress in the program, performance, and professional accomplishments expected in the field of Political Science. The review will result in one of three valuations: continuation, continuation with reservations, and dismissal. (Note: dismissal can occur as a result of this review only in accordance with the dismissal process stipulated by the Graduate College.)

The annual review process is coterminous with the funding process, but is required of all PhD students (whether funded or not). Students must fill out the "Annual Review of Doctoral Students" form found on the department web site (see the Graduate Advising page) by February 15 of each year. The form is cumulative; students will add to it each year.

The composition of the Review Committee will be public knowledge; that is, students will know who sits on the committee each year. Each student will be provided with written feedback, particularly in cases when the review results in a "continuation with reservations" valuation. The feedback will represent the judgment of the Review Committee, not those of only the Graduate Director, whose signature will appear with the valuation and comments.

Students will receive a valuation of "continuation", "continuation with reservations", or "dismissal". Dismissal can take place only in accordance with Graduate College policy (see below).

**MA and MDA Students:** no annual review is required at the moment.

The Annual Review Committee for 2004-2005 is comprised of:

Dr Jim Butterfield, Graduate Director  
Dr Paul Clements  
Dr Priscilla Lambert  
Dr Alan Isaak  
Dr Ashlyn Kuersten