

# Thesis Assessment Form

Student:

Committee Member:

Date of Defense (xx/xx/xxxx format):

## INTRODUCTION

Introduction of the research topic

Justification of the research topic

Timeliness of the research topic

## LITERATURE REVIEW / THEORY

Organization of the lit review

Clarity and logical coherence of theoretical arguments

Critical synthesis/analysis

Inclusion of important and relevant criticisms

## METHODOLOGY

Appropriateness of methods to the study of research questions

Adequacy of the application of methods

Justification of the methods

Articulation of the methods and procedures

## DATA ANALYSIS / CRITICAL ANALYSIS

Clarity of data presentation

Effective use of graphs, tables, or textual examples

Organization of the data

Competence of analysis

## DISCUSSION / CONCLUSION

Logical link between conclusions and analysis

Significance of research findings and conclusions as argued

Creativity and originality of conclusions

## QUALITY OF WRITING

Adherence to the writing conventions of the discipline

Logical structure and outcome

Writing skills

## QUALITY OF ORAL DEFENSE

Clarity in oral presentation

Coherence of orally presented arguments

Quality of presentation style

GENERAL COMMENTS (OPTIONAL)