

DOCTORAL COMMITTEE

Student's Name: _____

Before admission to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree, the student's major advisor proposes a doctoral committee which should be approved at least one month prior to the required committee action. The doctoral committee must consist of a minimum of four current members of the graduate faculty. At least three of these graduate faculty members must be from the CEE department, and at least one graduate faculty member must be external to the department. (Faculty who hold a secondary appointment but actively participate in the department will be considered as internal members. Faculty members whose secondary appointment in the department is viewed as a courtesy appointment may be considered as an external member.) Other appropriate graduate and non-graduate faculty members may also serve on the committee. The doctoral committee must be approved by the department chair and the dean. **THIS FORM IS NEEDED TO OBTAIN CEE FACULTY AND CHAIR APPROVAL, PRIOR TO THE FORMAL APPLICATION TO THE DEAN!** Upon approval of the committee by the dean, the student should prepare and present a dissertation proposal to the committee. If the proposal is accepted by the committee, the student is formally admitted to candidacy and the committee is formally appointed by the dean to advise the student during the progress of his/her research. Meetings of the candidate and the committee must occur at least annually to assess the student's progress toward the degree during which time the committee will have the authority to require high-quality research and/or the rewriting of any portion or all of the dissertation. The committee also conducts the final oral examination and determines whether the dissertation meets accepted standards.

Proposed Doctoral Committee

Chairman: _____

Members (Name and Department or affiliation):

Subject of proposed research:

In accordance with the requirements, I request that the above doctoral Committee be approved. I have personally contacted all members and they indicated their willingness to serve on the committee.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I recommend the approval of the above Committee.

Major Advisor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Approvals by additional faculty (not on the Committee) in Program Area, if needed. (The Committee must be approved by the majority of the program faculty either by accepting membership or by signing here):

I have examined the composition of the proposed committee and find that it meets the stipulated requirements.

Academic Coordinator's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Department Chairman's Approval: _____ Date: _____