Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics Graduate Group

FINAL THESIS COMMITTEE APPROVAL FORM

Name of student: ____________________________________________

Thesis advisor ________________________________

Members of the Final Thesis Committee (please print names)
(The final thesis committee includes all members of the working thesis committee plus one internal and one external examiner. At least three of the final thesis committee must be members of the BMB Graduate Group. The thesis advisor is not a member of the committee, but must attend all committee meetings and the open part of the defense)

Working Thesis Committee members

1. ____________________________________ (chair)

2. ____________________________________

3. ____________________________________

4. ____________________________________

Additional names for Final Thesis Committee

Internal Examiner

5. ____________________________________

External Examiner (must be from outside Penn and the BMB graduate group; the external examiner must either attend the oral defense, or provide a written report to the Committee chair prior to the oral defense; mandatory effective 1/1/2010)

6. ____________________________________
   (Name) (Institution)

Approved (Graduate Group Chair)

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   (signature) (date)

After the student submits the thesis, the committee may take up to one month to review it. Upon review by the committee, the members will be polled by the chair to determine if an oral defense should be scheduled. If the committee agrees to conduct an oral defense of the thesis, the student will have one month to finalize arrangements. If the committee determines that the student must revise the thesis prior to defending it, the student will have one month to make the revisions and submit clean, complete copies to the committee.

Instructions for Students: Please complete this form, obtain the Graduate Group Chair’s signature, and return the form to Ruth Keris (245A Anatomy-Chemistry Building).

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