McGill University School of Physical and Occupational Therapy Graduate Program in Rehabilitation Science Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam-Evaluation Grid Report

Student Name:
Question Evaluated:
Examiner Name:
Date:

Guidelines for evaluating Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination

Objectives:

- 1. To extend the knowledge of the student in areas directly and indirectly related to the dissertation topic.
- 2. To determine if the student has the ability to integrate, organize and express his/her thoughts at a level that is expected for a Ph.D. candidate.

PLEASE NOTE:

- 1) While the topics are expected to relate to the thesis, the topics are NOT the thesis and are expected to prepare the student for their thesis work.
- 2) NO CRITERION SHOULD BE BELOW EXPECTATIONS EXCEPT IN THE PRESENTATION CATEGORY. Should a student merit a below expectation's rating, the evaluator is requested to address this in the critical review of the examination.

*This grid applies to all Research themes as per the guidelines, except the Systematic/Structured Review.

Category	Expectations			
	Exceeds	Meets	Below	Doesn't Apply
CONTENT MASTERY AND INTEGRATION				
Complete description of the models, mechanisms				
or measurement, methodological, and statistical				
challenges				
Application to the specified area of research is				
made clear				
Choice of models, mechanisms or challenges to				
address in detail is justified				
Solutions for challenges clear and detailed				
Does the student demonstrate sufficient mastery of				
material to teach it to others?				
Does the student demonstrate sufficient				
understanding of the topics/challenges presented to				
interpret results of studies published in scientific				
journals?				
PRESENTATION				
Is there a logical introduction and conclusion?				
Is the paragraph structure cohesive (one theme,				
linked paragraphs)?				
Quality of grammar and punctuation				
Citations of literature				
Could some of the material be published?				
Overall Evaluation: PASS FAIL				

Pass: In the Content and Integration section, the student must get a rating of meets expectations or higher in EVERY category. In the presentation category, the student may receive a below expectation's rating, but the evaluator should address this in the critical review of the examination.

Fail: If any one of the criteria in the content and integration section receives a rating of below expectations, the student will fail the exam.

COMMENTS: