

Integrated Program in Neuroscience – McGill University

Candidacy Evaluation Form

The candidacy examination is an oral examination designed to evaluate the student's ability to carry out original scholarship and to confirm that the candidate is a suitable candidate for a PhD degree. Students are required to present the background and rationale for their proposed studies, the specific hypotheses and objectives, the methodology, results obtained to date and future directions. They are then queried on topics related to the proposed area of research by an examination committee that consists of all the members of the student's supervisory committee, one additional faculty (external examiner) of the committee, and the student's mentor, who will act as Chair of the exam. The student's supervisor may attend an observer but does not participate in the exam.

Student Name:	Date of the exam:
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	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Background Knowledge		
Rational for proposed studies		
Hypotheses clearly stated and scientifically rigorous		
Familiarity with methodology		
Interpretation of results obtained to date		
Future directions		

Examination Committee Judgment	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Examiners	Name	Signature
Supervisory Committee Member 1		
Supervisory Committee Member 2		
Supervisory Committee Member 3		
External		
IPN Mentor		
IPN Mentor (2 nd exam only)		

Comments on strengths and weaknesses of student's candidacy exam performance (attach additional sheet if necessary)

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