

## Dissertation Prospectus Proposal

During the fourth year the Dissertation Committee will conduct an oral examination of the candidate's dissertation prospectus. The prospectus describes in detail the dissertation, and will typically be accompanied by two papers in near ready-to-include shape, and a preliminary draft of a third paper which is anticipated to be the candidate's job market paper in the fifth year. Well-prepared students should complete this exam early in their fourth year, and definitely before the end of their fourth year.

The candidate must submit this **Dissertation Prospectus Proposal** of a planned examination to the Director of Graduate Studies at least two weeks ahead of time so that successful completion of the departmental field and colloquium requirements can be verified. If the thesis committee has changed since advancement, then formal approval from the Graduate Division must be obtained. Upon approval by the Graduate Director the proposal should be immediately submitted to the committee.

The result of the dissertation prospectus examination will be a letter from the Dissertation Committee to the candidate indicating what additional work needs to be done to complete the dissertation. This letter, which must be unanimously approved by the examination committee, will give deadlines for completing each major task, and a student who fails to meet these deadlines will no longer be making normal progress in the Economics Ph.D. program. A copy of this letter should be attached to this document and returned to the Graduate Director.

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I verify that the candidate \_\_\_\_\_ has satisfied the field  
(Print Name)  
requirements of the Department of Economics of University of California, Irvine for the Ph. D.  
degree. I also verify the candidate has completed \_\_\_\_\_ of the required four colloquium courses.

(To be completed after presentation of the Dissertation Prospectus. A Dissertation Committee requires at least three members.)

**Dissertation Committee:** We approve the candidate's dissertation prospectus and approve the attached letter indicating what additional work needs to be done to complete the dissertation.

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(Print Name)	Signature	Date
(Chair)		

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**Note:** Attach a copy of the Examination Committee letter and submit this form to the Graduate Director.