

PRELIMINARY EXAM COMMITTEE AND COURSE OF STUDY

- A Request for Approval -

The attached **Course of Study** for _____, which includes the information listed below*, has been approved by the proposed members of the Preliminary Exam Committee. Please approve the Course of Study and membership of the Committee.

Student UMID _____ **Email** _____

Address: _____

Program Name: _____ **Program Number** _____

Committee Members' Name & Signatures	Title	Department	UM ID (required)
Chair			
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The Course of Study should include the following information:

- REQUIRED:** A 1-page, single sided (maximum) ABSTRACT that demonstrates that the goals of your doctoral research can be met given your background, the resources available, and the theory and methods you expect to apply.
- A list of undergraduate courses, including credit hours and grades, organized by content (e.g., biological sciences, physical sciences, asocial sciences, analytic sciences etc).
- A list of relevant graduate-level courses (including credit hour and grades) taken or to be taken. These courses should be listed in emphasis areas of theory, methods and analytics, and applications to show how they contribute to the student's background. Courses taken as part of the Ph.D. program should be clearly denoted, and one course from each emphasis area must be taken at UM as part of the Ph.D. program.
- An abstract of an undergraduate research project or master's thesis (if a thesis was completed).
- Curriculum vita.
- Timeline

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE OFFICE
OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMS, ROOM 1520 DANA**

Approval Signature

Date

Preliminary Examination Committee

Composition of the Preliminary Examination Committee must meet all of Rackham's requirements for dissertation committees (see Rackham Student Handbook, <http://www.rackham.umich.edu/StudentInfo/Publications/DissertationHandbook/>).

In addition, the Preliminary Examination Committee must have the following minimum composition:

1. At least four members, two of whom must be from SNRE. (In the case of students in the joint Natural Resources Economics doctoral program, two members must be from SNRE and two members must be from the Department of Economics).
2. A chair or two co-chairs; the chair or one co-chair must be an SNRE faculty member who is a regular member of the Graduate faculty.
3. A minimum of two SNRE members of the Graduate Faculty (includes adjuncts).
4. A non-SNRE (external or cognate) faculty member who is a regular Graduate Faculty member. At least one member of the Committee must be from outside the student's major area of specialization. The outside member must be a regular Graduate Faculty member who does not hold any fraction of an appointment in SNRE.

Previous faculty advisor (if different from the Chair).

Signature states that the previous faculty advisor is aware of the Preliminary Examination committee membership and is no longer responsible for advising the student.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Preliminary Examination Committee Revision

If for any reason the student and/or Preliminary Examination Committee Chair believe that a revision of the Preliminary Examination Committee is in the best interests of the student, a recommendation nominating the new members should be submitted to the Academic Affairs Committee. The recommendation for revision should include a brief explanation of the reasons for the change.