



CDNS6907: Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination #2 Report

Student name: _____

Student no. _____

Title of diss. proposal: _____

Date of oral defense: _____

The purpose of the second comprehensive examination is to provide an opportunity for the student to read toward the preparation of a dissertation proposal and produce a proposal that can launch and guide the dissertation research and writing process. A satisfactory examination means that a) the proposal submitted is informed as to existing scholarship; thoughtful with regard to theoretical concepts and methodology; focused in its research question; and clear with regard to the dissertation parameters and primary material, research sites, and/or sources of data; b) the student's answers to questions in the oral defense demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the readings on the list; the ability to analyze, compare, and synthesize those readings; and the ability to apply the readings to the proposed dissertation research, including specification of how the research relates to existing scholarship. The assessment for comp 2 should consider both the diss. proposal and the oral defense. Strong performance in the oral defense may improve an overall assessment; however, a weak performance in the oral will not, in and of itself, result in a grade of Unsatisfactory.

Assessment: Satisfactory Unsatisfactory

Remarks:

Comprehensive Examination Committee:

Supervisor: _____ Signature: _____

Committee member: _____ Signature: _____

Committee member: _____ Signature: _____

Seen by SICS Graduate Supervisor:

Seen by SICS Director:
