Dissertation Assessment Sheet

This sheet should be filled out by the dissertation director, after the defense deliberations, in consultation with the other committee members. It should be submitted to the director of graduate studies. For each assessment criterion, provide a rating of Exceeds/Meets/ Does Not Meet in the right column.

Student Name	_ Date	_ Overall Dissertation Rating
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Criterion	Exceeds	Meets	Does Not Meet	Rating
Originality of Argument	Argues clearly and consistently with independent thought	Argues mostly or somewhat consistently and clearly with independent thought	Argues with insufficiently independent thought	
Thoroughness of Research	Gathers, organizes, and responds to a complete representation of relevant primary and secondary sources in the field	Gathers, organizes, and responds to a mostly or somewhat complete representation of relevant primary and secondary sources in the field	Does not gather, organize, and respond to a sufficient representation of relevant primary and secondary sources in the field	
Thoroughness of Evidence	Verifies claims consistently with clarity and fullness.	Verifies most claims, with the most important adequately proven	Does not verify claims adequately	
Contribution to a Field of Knowledge	As a whole or in part, exhibits preparedness for scholarly publication with little or no revision	As a whole or in part, exhibits prospects for scholarly publication with manageable revision	Does not exhibit prospects for scholarly publication	