

Dissertation Proposal Meeting

General Information

Date of Meeting: _____

Student Name: _____ Banner ID #: _____

Concentration: _____ Major Advisor: _____

Dissertation Committee

Chair: _____ Member: _____

Member: _____ Member: _____

The Dissertation Committee must be approved by the Dean of Graduate Studies-See Dissertation committee structure on back of this page.

Dissertation Committee Form submitted and approved by OGS? Yes No (see advisor)

Dissertation proposal Approved? Yes No (if no, please comment below)

Please notify the Department Advisor if there are any changes to the committee structure after your proposal and before your defense.

Dissertation Title/Topic

Comments/Changes

Signature of Committee Chair

Date

Dissertation Committee

The dissertation committee is charged with the supervision of a doctoral candidate's dissertation activities, including the review and approval of the student's research proposal. Doctoral candidates initiate the process of selecting the dissertation committee by first arranging for a qualified faculty member to serve as the director/chair of their dissertation/committee chairperson. The faculty director and the candidate jointly select the remainder of the committee.

See Department of Psychology Advisor about dissertation committee approval prior to your dissertation proposal meeting.

Composition of the Dissertation Committee

The committee will consist of at least four members, all of whom are approved by the Dean of Graduate Studies.

1. Two members must be Category 1
2. The chair must be Category 1, or 3 if within student's major.
3. One member must be category 1 AND outside the student's major, or in Category 2.
4. The dissertation director must be a tenured or tenure-track member of the University of New Mexico faculty and have regular graduate faculty approval.
5. One member may be in Category 4 if the above requirements are met.

An "[Appointment of Dissertation Committee](#)" form must be submitted to the Dean of Graduate Studies for approval. The form should be filed once a student has passed comps, and advanced to candidacy and begins enrollment in 699 (Dissertation Hours). Obtain the form from the Department of Psychology Advisor, it must be signed by the candidate and the dissertation director. Submit the form to the department advisor to obtain the signature of the chairperson and Dean.

If the committee changes, a revised "[Appointment of Dissertation Committee](#)" form must be submitted to the OGS along with a written rationale for the change. OGS may request additional documentation as appropriate.