PhD Thesis Referee Form
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Student’s Name _____ Date _____

Acceptance of thesis [please check one box]

☐ The thesis is acceptable as is as a PhD thesis, as partial fulfillment of the requirements for the PhD degree.

☐ The thesis is acceptable as a PhD thesis, after minor corrections [as detailed in my review] which will be made after the final exam, as partial fulfillment of the requirements for the PhD degree.

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Name of referee: _____ Signature: _____

Please send your detailed thesis review to The Dean of the Graduate School, within two months from the date you received the thesis. It is important to include this form, filled, with the review even if some details are duplicated. Please send the review on an official stationery. Please sign this form as well as the review itself. In cases that the referee’s institution does not permit submission of official reviews, the referee from an external institution (that is not academic), will be required to detail their affiliation, in full, in the review.

Reviews of the final theses are confidential. The Dean of the Graduate School has to receive all reviews no later than 48 hours before the final examination. The final examination will take place only after the Dean of the Graduate School has received and approved all the reviews. The Dean of the Graduate School will not authorize the final examination, if the reviews will not have arrived on time.

Please send your review to:
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In case corrections are required, the original draft [before the corrections are made], will serve as the basis for the exam. Corrections will be made only after the exam.

The review should be typed and include:

2. Evaluation of the thesis regarding its scientific merit, content, method and form. Please refer to the writer's style and writing abilities. The review should refer to the body of work, excluding any appendixes or attachments, which are not an integral part of the thesis.

3. A definite acknowledgment or decline of the thesis as partially fulfilling the requirements for the degree of PhD (From the Graduate School's regulation: "the thesis is considered of value if it merits publication in a reputable scientific journal and significantly contributes to the advancement of research in its specific area").

4. Detailed explanation of the corrections and revisions needed.

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6. Any other comment at your discretion.

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