

THESIS DEFENSE EXTERNAL OBSERVER'S REPORT

Observer:					
Graduate Program					
College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences			School of Education		
	MS Clinical Psychology		MA Counseling		M.Ed. Special Education
	MA English		MA Teaching		M.Ed. Admin & Supervision
	MA Micronesian Studies		M.Ed. Reading		M.Ed. Secondary Education
College of Natural and Applied Sciences			M.Ed. TESOL		
	MS Biology	School of Business and Public Administration			
	MS Environmental Science		MPA		
	MS SAFNR		PMBA		

Thesis Defense Information

Student			
Faculty Chair			
Committee Members			
Location			Date
Start Time			End Time (after Q&A session)

Attendance		5-10		10-20		More than 20 (Note: Include everyone.)
Any Notable Guests:						

Part II: Observations about the Presentation

<p>Length of Presentation - How much time did the student use to present the student's thesis project?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Professionalism of the Presentation (Scale of 1=Poor to 10=Excellent)</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 40px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
<p>Length of Q&A Session - How much time was used for the Q&A Session?</p>	<p>Comments:</p>

How was Q&A session handled? For example: Describe the rotation of questions posed by the committee. Did the Chair open Q&A up for the audience in attendance?

Was the defense appropriately rigorous? Provide specific examples about the rigor of the defense (or the lack thereof).

Were issues about the manuscript discussed in the meeting? Include information about when issues about the manuscript were discussed during the defense, e.g., during the Q&A Session only, during the student's presentation.

Part III: Observations About Improvement Opportunities

What suggestions for improvement could be made to the program? Provide specific recommendations based on evidence observed during the defense.

What ideas for improvement could be taken back to your own program? What lessons from the defense would you recommend adopting for your graduate program?

Please provide additional comments/reflections on topics that are not addressed in these questions. Use a separate sheet and please attach to this report.

Please submit reports to the Director of Graduate Studies within five business days of the defense.

Please indicate if you would like to share your comments with the committee chair.