

**ANNENBERG SCHOOL FOR COMMUNICATION AND JOURNALISM
SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION**

APPROVAL OF DISSERTATION PROSPECTUS FORM

TO: Tom Hollihan, Director of Doctoral Studies
FROM: _____
Guidance Committee Chair
DATE: _____
SUBJECT: Approval of Dissertation Prospectus

NOTE: The submission of this form does not establish a Dissertation Committee ~ An **Appointment of Committee** form must be completed and submitted in order to establish a Dissertation Committee

Students are required to write a dissertation prospectus and have it approved by the Dissertation Committee. The dissertation prospectus is a document that articulates the dissertation project, methods, justification, and outline of chapters. The prospectus should be completed in a process that runs parallel to or in conjunction with the qualifying examination. The semester before the qualifying examination a student in collaboration with an advisor would choose one of two options. Please circle the option your advisee chose:

- A. A working paper was distributed to the Annenberg Guidance Committee and approved by at least two members at least 30 days prior to taking the qualifying examination. The dissertation prospectus will be distributed after the qualifying exam and discussed no more than 30 days after the oral defense (or no later than the end of the third week of the fall semester because the qualifying exam was taken late in the spring semester or summer term).
- B. A working paper was not submitted. The dissertation prospectus was handed in at the time the qualifying examination answers were submitted and discussed as part of the orals.

_____ 's dissertation prospectus was approved on _____
Student's name Date

Print or type name

Signatures of Committee

Department

Guidance Committee Chair

Return completed form to Anne Marie Campian, Ph.D. Advisor ~ ASC Suite 140

Approved by:

Tom Hollihan, *Director of Doctoral Studies*

Date

PLEASE SUBMIT A COPY OF THE APPROVED DISSERTATION PROSPECTUS WITH THIS FORM