

PAPP Dissertation Defense Rubric

The Dissertation Supervisory Committee (DSC) determines when the student's dissertation is ready to be defended in a public oral examination. The examination is conducted by the DSC, and although it is concerned primarily with the dissertation research, it may explore the student's knowledge in areas relevant to the core of the dissertation's research problem.

Committee Member: please assess the student's performance using this rubric and provide it to the Chair.

Committee Chair: please collect the rubrics and submit them to the CAPPA Graduate Advisor along with the Dissertation Defense form.

Student Name: _____

Dissertation Title: _____

Evaluator: _____ Date: _____

1. The dissertation research questions are well formulated.

A Excellent B Satisfactory C Unsatisfactory

2. The methodology is appropriate and sound.

A Excellent B Satisfactory C Unsatisfactory

3. The findings of the research adequately articulated?

A Excellent B Satisfactory C Unsatisfactory

4. Conclusions, implications and consequences of the research are well thought out and presented.

A Excellent B Satisfactory C Unsatisfactory

5. The dissertation is well written (i.e., grammatically correct and clear).

A Excellent B Satisfactory C Unsatisfactory

6. The dissertation makes a _____ contribution to the field.

A Excellent B Satisfactory C Unsatisfactory

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