Preliminary Ph.D Oral Exam Form

Each member fills out the form anonymously. Return all forms in an envelope to the MEAS Graduate Student Services Assistant. Note that this form is internal to MEAS, for program assessment. Additional paperwork, supplied by the Graduate School, is to be completed and returned along with this form.

Form updated 2016 to match revised outcomes assessment metrics.

Student's Name: ___________________________________________

Grade the examinee on a scale from 1 (best) to 3 (worst) on the following questions. Grading rubric:
1: Student performance in this area exceeds expectations for the skill in question.
2: Student performance meets expectations for the skill in question.
3: Student performance is unacceptable, falling below expectations for graduate students in MEAS.

(a) The student has shown an in depth knowledge of the literature in his/her research field and is able to place their research in the context of that literature. _____

(b) The student has formulated meaningful hypotheses or questions relating to her/his research topic. _____

(c) The student proposes meaningful and appropriate research methods and/or hypothesis testing techniques. ______

(d) The student has shown the ability to clearly present their research. ______