

GRAD SCHOOL PRELIM EXAM RUBRIC

The following outcome categories are the ones used by the Graduate School in the electronic GS Form 10 Report of the Preliminary Examination.

Outcome 1: Knowledge and Scholarship

The student has demonstrated the ability to identify or conduct original research, scholarship and/or creative endeavor in their field of study.

Outcome 2: Communication

The student has demonstrated the ability to effectively communicate (orally and/or in written form) in their field of study.

Outcome 3: Critical Thinking

The student has demonstrated the ability to think critically, creatively and/or to effectively solve problems in their field of study.

Outcome 4: Ethical and Responsible Research

The student has demonstrated the ability to conduct research, scholarly and/or creative endeavors in an ethical and responsible manner that aligns with best practices in their field of study.

Outcome 5: Professionalism

The student has demonstrated the attributes of professionalism consistent with the expectations and norms within their field of study.

Instructions: Please use the prelim exam committee report form on the next page to review the student's performance.

Prelim Chair - During the exam, please enter your comments on the student's performance. As the chairperson of this prelim exam committee, all committee comment forms should be sent to you after the exam. Once you have these forms, please read and summarize all pertinent comments from the committee and add them to your comments on the Committee Report of the Prelim Exam form. Your summary version of the form will be sent to the student as feedback of the exam.

Please send all committee forms and your summary form to the Graduate Program Assistant; committee forms will be kept on file along with the summary form by the prelim chair. The Graduate Program Assistant will send the summarized Committee Report of the Prelim Exam to the student.

As the Chair of the prelim exam, the Prelim chair also completes and submits the *GS Form 10 - Report of the Preliminary Examination* which contains the Grad School rubric listed above. (Chair should receive an email from the Grad School with a link to the Grad Database)

Thank you for serving on this prelim exam committee!

BIOCHEMISTRY PROGRAM
Committee Report of Oral Preliminary Examination

Student: _____ Major Professor: _____

Prelim Exam Chair: _____ Exam Date: _____

Please rate the student's performance in the categories below. Categories will not necessarily be ranked equally in making the overall pass/fail evaluation.

These ratings are also used by the Biochemistry Grad Program to identify areas where students display the greatest shortcomings. They are important to evaluate in order to implement changes in instruction and/or program policies that may better prepare our students for this exam and improve prelim exam outcomes.

Knowledge and Scholarship

Originality of the Proposal

Analytical and Critical Thinking

Experimental Design

Communication Skills (Written)

Communication Skills (Oral)

Ethical and Responsible Research

Professionalism Attributes

Please use this space to enter your comments and summarize committee feedback on this preliminary exam.

Please vote to pass or fail this student and sign below. To obtain a passing performance there must be 3 of 4 votes of "pass". If there are only three committee members present a unanimous vote of "pass" is required.

Your Vote: Pass Fail

Prelim Exam Chair Signature

Please send your summary form and committee member forms to the Graduate Program Assistant. Your summary version of the Committee Report of Oral Preliminary Examination will be sent to the student as feedback of their exam.