Kansas State University – Department of _____

Masters Thesis/Report Defense Assessment Form

Student: ______Year-Semester: _____Committee Chair: _____

Last Name, First Name

Name of Committee Member:

Directions to the Members of the Committee: Place a check mark on the line in front of the rubric description for each Student *Learning Outcome Assessment that best reflects the quality of the MA Thesis.*

	1. Deficient	2. Acceptable	3. Proficient	4. Exemplary		
Factual Knowledge: An ac	lvanced level of knowledge	relevant to one's individual	fields of study.			
Level of knowledge reflected in written thesis/report.	Reflects unacceptably low level of knowledge.	Reflects acceptable level of knowledge.	Reflects above average level of knowledge.	Reflects outstanding level of knowledge.		
Level of knowledge reflected in oral defense.	Reflects unacceptably low level of knowledge.	Reflects acceptable level of knowledge.	Reflects above average level of knowledge.	Reflects outstanding level of knowledge.		
Research Methodology: The ability to conduct research appropriate to writing an masters thesis/reports (including the ability to recognize the importance of both primary and secondary sources and the ability to conduct appropriate critical analysis of evidence).						
Level of research methodology reflected in written thesis.	Reflects unacceptably low level of ability to conduct research.	Reflects acceptable level of ability to conduct research.	Reflects above average level of ability to conduct research.			
Level of research methodology reflected in oral defense.	Reflects unacceptably low level of ability to conduct research.	Reflects acceptable level of ability to conduct research.	Reflects above average level of ability to conduct research.			

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Communications Skills: Th	he ability to express oneself	clearly, accurately, and pro	fessionally in both oral and	written form.	
Level of communications skills reflected in the thesis/report.	Reflects unacceptable ability to express oneself clearly, accurately and professionally in writing.	Reflects acceptable ability to express oneself clearly, accurately and professionally in writing.	Reflects above average ability to express oneself clearly, accurately and professionally in writing.	Reflects outstanding ability to express oneself clearly, accurately and professionally in writing.	
Level of skill reflected in oral defense.	Reflects unacceptable ability to orally express oneself clearly, accurately and professionally.	<u>Reflects acceptable</u> ability to orally express oneself clearly, accurately and professionally.	<u>Reflects above average</u> ability to orally express oneself clearly, accurately and professionally.	<u>Reflects outstanding</u> ability to orally express oneself clearly, accurately and professionally.	
Attitudes and Professional Conduct: The ability to engage in professional conduct, integrity, and ethical behavior.					
Level of attitude and professionalism reflected in the examination.	Does not honor the needs and best interests of the profession or demonstrate a pattern of professional behavior. {absence, tardiness, failure to complete tasks, or academic dishonesty.	Reflects acceptable ability to honor the needs and best interests of the profession or demonstrate a pattern of professional behavior such as promptness, task completion, maintaining confidentiality, and academic honesty.	Consistently and appropriately honors the needs and best interests of the profession demonstrating a pattern of professional behavior such as promptness, task completion, maintaining confidentiality, and academic honesty.	Consistently and appropriately honors the needs and best interests of the profession demonstrating a pattern of professional behavior while actively seeks or leads opportunities to select or create appropriate new forums to become involved the profession.	