

Department of Geographic Sciences
Comprehensive Portfolio Assessment Summary

The primary purpose of this meeting is to assess the student's readiness to proceed to the dissertation proposal phase of the doctoral program.

Student's Name _____
First semester in the program _____ Current semester _____

The comments below summarize **REQUIRED** and **RECOMMENDED** actions to be taken as a result of Portfolio Review #3 (use back of this page if more space is needed):

Areas	Member 1	Member 2	Member3	PAC
Goal Formulation				
Discipline Breadth				
Research competency				
Analytical and Integrative Thinking				
Reflective thinking				
Effective communication				

Each PAC member will independently score the student's portfolio in each Evaluation Category:

- 1 – Does not meet expectations;
- 2 – Meets expectations;
- 3 – Exceeds expectations.

The PAC score will be based upon the majority score awarded by two out of three committee members (e.g., if the member scores are 1,1,2, then the PAC score = 1). Note: a scoring of (1,2,3) results in an overall score of 2.5 for a criterion (i.e., should be higher than a 1,2,2, scoring).

The results of the comprehensive assessment are summarized below (check one):

_____ Student has demonstrated readiness to proceed to the dissertation phase of the program (non-binding recommendations for modifications or additional work may be specified on the back of this page).

_____ Student may proceed to the dissertation phase of the program when required actions are completed; a second meeting is not required (a deadline and precise procedures for verifying completion of these actions must be specified on the back of this page [deadline cannot extend beyond 12 months from the date of the first meeting]; non-binding recommendations for modifications or additional work may also be specified).

_____ A second comprehensive assessment meeting will be scheduled when required actions are completed (the second meeting cannot be held later than 12 months from the date of the first meeting; non-binding recommendations for modifications or additional work may also be specified).

Summary of candidate's strengths:

Summary of candidate's areas in need of improvement:

Signatures:

Student Date

PAC Chair (print last name) Date

PAC Committee Member (print last name) Date

PAC Committee Member (print last name) Date

Graduate Director Date