

**Dissertation Defense & Comprehensive Examination INTENT Form  
Environmental Sciences Program, Doctor of Philosophy Degree**

**Deadlines:**

1. A completed draft of your dissertation must be given to ALL committee members **a minimum of 21 days before the Defense date**. The completed draft must first be approved by the Research Advisor.
2. This form must be submitted to the EVS Program office at least 2 weeks before the scheduled defense.
3. A public announcement of the defense will be made by the EVS office.

The defense will consist of a written dissertation on the student's graduate research topic, publicly presented and defended, after which the student's committee will continue the defense in a private session. A Comprehensive Examination will be included as part of the private session with the committee. This exam can be oral or written in whole or in part. Possible outcomes of this examination is (i) pass, (ii) fail with option to retake (one time only) the examination, or (iii) fail.

4. This form should be submitted to the EVS Program Office by the end of the student's 8<sup>th</sup> semester (last semester).

I hereby declare my intention to present and defend my PhD research. I also understand that a comprehensive exam will follow the defense.

Dissertation Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Defense Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Defense Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Defense Location: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Student Name (Print)</b>	<b>Student Signature</b>	<b>Student ID#</b>	<b>Date</b>
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<b>Research Advisor Name</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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<b>Program Director Name</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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