**PhD Comprehensive Examination Request Form**

**Pathology and Laboratory Medicine**

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| 1. Research Topic/Title |
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**Is the research topic the same as the current thesis project?**

Yes

No

**Submission instructions:**

1. ***MSc Students:*** Review Section 10 and 11 in the [Guidelines for Research-based Graduate Programs.](https://www.schulich.uwo.ca/pathol/gps/research_programs/policies_and_regulations.html) ***PhD and MD/PhD students:***  Review Section 11 in the Guidelines.

2. Return this completed form to 4044 Dental Sciences Building (or email ([pathgrad@uwo.ca](mailto:pathgrad@uwo.ca)).

3. ***For MSc students only:***Arrange for supporting letters from the student's supervisor and/or the Advisory Committee clearly stating support for the transfer. The letters should comment on the research project scope (suitability for PhD-level research), student performance, and availability of stipend and research funds. The letters should be forwarded to [pathgrad@uwo.ca](mailto:pathgrad@uwo.ca).

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| 2. Lay Summary |
| Lay title of the research:  *Limit the title to 60 characters (without spaces)* |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Lay abstract:  *Provide an abstract in lay/non-scientific terms (150 words maximum). The abstract should be suitable for preparation of a press release.* |
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| **Research Descriptors/Keywords:**  *Provide up to 5 keywords (separated by coma) that best describe the research proposal.* |
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| 3. Comprehensive Examiners  (*All examiners should be arm’s length*) |

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| **Examiner’s Name** | **Department** | **Expertise** |
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| 4. Scientific Project Summary  *Provide a one-page scientific summary of the research proposal using the following subheadings:*  *1. Introduction*  *2. Hypothesis*  *3. Specific Aims*  *4. Research Impact (or Significance of the Study, Innovation)* |
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| 5. Project Scope |

***Instructions:*** *As stated in Section 1.3 of the Research-based graduate degree program guidelines, PhD students, upon graduation, will have demonstrated the following program-level objectives:*

*1) Independence and originality in their thesis work.*

*2) A general knowledge of their discipline and more in-depth knowledge of their specific area of work.*

*3) Be able to pose relevant scientific questions and determine the best methodology to answer them.*

*4) Have advanced skills in verbal and written communication as evidenced through program requirements and external opportunities (eg. publications).*

*In a paragraph, please explain how your proposed project will facilitate the development of these four skills to facilitate your successful completion of the PhD program.*

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