UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
SCHOOL of COMMUNICATION

# QUALIFYING EXAMINATION OUTCOME

The University of Miami's Graduate School and School of Communication require doctoral students to pass written and oral qualifying exams after completing all required and elective coursework, totaling 45-48 credit hours depending on their year of entry into the PhD in Communication program. Students must be in good academic standing (no incompletes and a minimum GPA of 3.0) and enrolled during the semester they take the exams.

In the School of Communication, the written exam can be a traditional exam with questions from each committee member; it can be take-home, or it may take the form of a paper that integrates theory, methods, and content. The main goal is to test students in a way that best evaluates their scholarly fitness. The written exam must be at least 12 hours, and the oral exam must be at least two hours and take place two weeks after the written exam is completed.

**Directions to Qualifying Examination Chairperson: Submit this completed document, Qualifying Examination criteria, and a copy of the written exam to the Graduate Studies Office.**

The Qualifying Examination was administered to:

Student Name: _____ Student Number: _____

on _____.
date

**The result of the Qualifying Examination was (CIRCLE ONE):**

**PASS** **PASS WITH CONDITIONS** **FAIL**

**Reasons for conditional pass:** _____

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**Date/s of written exam:** _____ **Date of oral exam:** _____

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| Committee Chair Signature | Print Name | Date | Graduate Faculty Yes / No |
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