The Pennsylvania State University College of Education Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Dissertation Prospectus Approval Form

Although candidates should be involved in research throughout their doctoral programs, formal doctoral committee approval of a dissertation prospectus must precede any serious pursuit of dissertation research. A dissertation prospectus should include: (a) a clear statement of the problem or question to be considered, (b) a detailed rationale for the study, (c) a thorough description of the theoretical and research context of the study within related literature, and (d) the proposed means by which data will be gathered and analyzed.

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