

Non-Thesis Research Paper Approval Form

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A course-intensive (non-thesis) option is available in some departments. In lieu of the thesis, research competence must be demonstrated on the basis of a research paper. This paper should be exemplary of the research and writing skills the student acquired and refined during the degree program. For students on the *Digital Media Strategies* track, this is on the basis of a research paper completed in one of the courses taken in the required **Media Studies** area only of the Plan of Study.

To satisfy the requirement, all components are due to the Graduate Administrator, Ms. Tawanna Tookes, by no later than the end of the second month of the semester you plan to graduate (ex: end of October for Fall, or end of February for Spring). The faculty reviewer will pass on the acceptability of the paper, then student provides a clean copy to the Graduate Director/Associate Graduate Director along with this form, and the version of the paper that was evaluated. To begin the approval process, your instructor determines the acceptability of the paper and then signs this form. Then the student provides a clean/final copy as a PDF or Word document via email to the Graduate Director, along with this signed form.

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