Application for Advancement to Candidacy

GS-10

Part 1: To be completed by the STUDENT

Last Name(s), First and Middle Names (must match EXACTLY as on Cal State LA transcript) CIN #

CalStateLA.edu Student Email Address Phone Number

Graduate Degree, Program, and Option

Part 2: To be completed by the STUDENT and the FACULTY GRADUATE ADVISOR

Advancement to Candidacy Requirements:

Completed minimum of 12.0 semester units of your study plan: ☐ Met or will meet by end of current term
Earned minimum 3.0 grade point average: ☐ Met or will meet by end of current term

Some programs have additional requirements for Advancement to Candidacy (e.g., defend proposal, earn a certain grade in a specific required course, etc.) List any such requirements below:

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2.
3.

Culminating Experience:

- ◯ Comprehensive Examination (complete this section then complete Part 4)
- ◯ Project (complete this section, Part 3, and Part 4)
- ◯ Thesis or Dissertation (complete this section, Part 3, and Part 4)

By signing this form, we certify that the student has adhered to their study plan and completed all requirements for Advancement to Candidacy.

Student Name Signature Date

Faculty Graduate Advisor Name Signature Date

Part 3 (Thesis, Project, or Dissertation ONLY): To be completed by the STUDENT and the COMMITTEE CHAIR

Proposed Thesis, Project, or Dissertation Title

Committee Chair Name Signature Date

Names of Additional Committee Members (signatures not required) Style Manual, if known (APA, MLA, IEEE, ACS, etc.)

Part 4: DEPARTMENT CHAIR AND COLLEGE ASSOCIATE DEAN APPROVAL

Advancement to Candidacy: ◯ Approved ◯ Not approved

Department Chair Name (or designee) Signature Date

◯ Approved ◯ Not approved

College Associate Dean's Name (or designee) Signature Date

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