

Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations

Petition for General Examination for the Ph.D. Degree

General Examination Periods for Academic Year 2008-2009:

Fall: Monday September 15, 2008 – Monday September 29, 2008

Winter: Wednesday January 28, 2009 – Wednesday February 11, 2009

Spring: Friday May 1, 2009 – Friday May 15, 2009

NOTE: This petition should be submitted at least 3 months before the beginning of the requested examination period for administering the General Examination.

TO: EALC Director of Graduate Studies
Graduate Program Coordinator

DATE: _____

FROM: _____
(Print name)

I should like to request that a Board of Examiners be constituted to administer to me the Ph.D. General Examination. The fields in which I wish to be examined and the examiners I prefer are as follows:

Fields	Examiners
1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____
3. _____	3. _____
4.(optional) _____	4.(optional) _____

I have discussed my choice of fields with the following faculty member(s):

Advisor: _____

I request that the General Examination for the Ph.D. be administered to me on one of the following dates (choose three dates from one examining period):

Preference 1 _____

Preference 2 _____

Preference 3 _____

Requirements for taking the General Examination for the Ph.D. degree:

1. Completion of 16 half courses with a grade of at least B⁻
2. Requirement for advanced work in a second East Asian language _____ was completed _____. Please use the attached form to list the individual language courses taken to complete the requirement. Please include grades.
(date)

3. The two required research seminar papers were completed for the following courses:

1) _____
(Course, date, instructor, grade)

2) _____
(Course, date, instructor, grade)

Please use the attached form to list your seminar papers' titles and grades.

Candidate's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have reviewed the student's record and determined that he/she has completed all requirements necessary before taking the General Examination.

Advisor's Signature Date: _____

Approved by the Director of Graduate Studies:

Signature Date: _____

Printed name: _____

NOTE: The Graduate Program Coordinator will return a copy of this page to the student once the date, time and location of the General Examination has been scheduled and will serve as confirmation for the student.

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The General Examination for _____ will be
(student's name)
held on _____ at _____ in _____.
(date) (time) (location)

Graduate Program Coordinator Date _____

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SEMINAR PAPERS REQUIREMENT

Department requirements state that two substantial seminar papers are required for completion of the Ph.D. At least one must be in the primary field. Papers that satisfy this requirement shall:

- a.) Make use of text(s) written in the primary research language(s), i.e. one or more of the East Asian languages.
 - b.) Draw upon significant secondary sources relevant to the subject.
 - c.) Receive at least the grade of "A-" from the instructor of the course for which the paper was written.
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Student Name: _____

Seminar Paper #1

Title: _____

Course/Year: _____

Grade: _____

Seminar Paper #2

Title: _____

Course/Year: _____

Grade: _____

I have determined that the above two seminar papers qualify and complete the requirement for the Ph.D.

Advisor (print name): _____

Advisor signature: _____

Date: _____

NOTE: Current EALC regulations regarding language requirements and the Ph.D. General Examination are as follows:

Normally a fourth-year level in the major East Asian language and advanced work in a second East Asian language will be required. The second East Asian language requirement is normally defined as the third-year level in modern Japanese for students of Chinese and for some students in Korean, and the second-year level in Literary Chinese for some students in Japanese and for some students in Korean.

After completing the language requirements, each student is examined orally in three fields. These fields will be determined in consultation with the student's advisor, and one of these fields should be chosen to demonstrate breadth in regard to a different area, discipline, or period. In addition to the oral examination, the student will be required to demonstrate proficiency in the primary language to be used in his or her research. Each subfield within the department will determine the means to test such proficiency.

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