

**GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES
MD/PHD PROGRAM**

**FORM: Dissertation Examination Committee
Certification of External Member**

The external member normally attends the exam. In unusual circumstances, the outside examiner will be exempt from attending but shall submit a written report on the dissertation. Under these circumstances, the outside examiner will not be included on the dissertation signature page, but the dissertation committee chair shall certify in writing that:

1. the written questions and suggestions of the outside examiner were circulated to the dissertation committee prior to the examination;
2. the external examiner's questions were satisfactorily answered by the student;
3. all changes to the written dissertation necessitated by the external examiner's questions were included in the final written thesis.
4. This certification will form part of the student's permanent record.

Student	
Thesis Advisor	
Program	

Date of Dissertation Exam:		
External Member:		
The external member of this student's Dissertation Examination Committee was unable to attend the defense. I certify that the above requirements for the External Member were met.		
DEC Chair Signature		DATE

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