



Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

FORM GSBS70: TRAC APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DISSERTATION TIMELINE

Use this form to receive TRAC approval of the proposed dissertation timeline.

Instructions to Student:

Please initiate this form prior to the TRAC meeting. Submission of this form completes all requirements for BBS 865 (TRAC) for the academic year.

Note: The TRAC chair may defer approval until specific benchmarks are met (for example, until a paper is submitted or accepted, until specified result(s) are verified). Approval is intended to allow the student to focus exclusively on preparation of the dissertation and should not be granted if continued experimental work is necessary to validate the thesis argument.

If approval is deferred, the TRAC chair should complete the standard TRAC form (GSBS07) and clearly communicate the expectations for completion to the student.

Instructions to TRAC chair:

Please complete the checklist and provide additional comments (optional).

Checklist:

The TRAC certifies that (check only those that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/>	The data, published and unpublished, are sound, complete, and adequate for a dissertation
<input type="checkbox"/>	The committee is satisfied that the student's publication record, including submitted manuscripts, is adequate for completion.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The committee provided written feedback regarding modification to the thesis abstract and outline.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The committee provided written feedback regarding modifications to the unpublished data.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The committee is satisfied with the state of completion of experimental work, thus allowing the student to focus primarily on data analysis and dissertation preparation.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Thesis Defense can be scheduled within three months.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Thesis Defense has been scheduled.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The student has identified an external examiner who meets the GSBS guidelines.

Additional comments (optional): Attach separate page if necessary

Date TRAC approved proposed dissertation timeline:			
	Name	Signature	Date
Student			
Thesis Advisor			
Co-Thesis Advisor			
TRAC Chair			
Graduate Program Director			
Program			

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<input type="checkbox"/> Checklist Updated	GSBS Staff	Date: