**PRE-VIVA EXAMINER’S REPORT FORM**

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| **Section A: Examination Details** | | | | |
| Name of candidate |  | | Candidate No. |  |
| Research Home: | FMHS / HUMSS / NATSCI | | | |
| Lead supervisor: |  | | | |
| Title of Thesis: |  | | | |
| Examination for the degree of: |  | Expected Viva Date: | |  |
| Name of Examiner: |  | | | |
| Category of Examiner: | Internal Examiner **OR** External Examiner | | | |

**To be completed by the examiner:**

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| **Section B: Examiner’s Report** |
| Are you satisfied that the thesis is the candidate’s own work? YES / NO  *If no, please consult the* [*PGR Exams Handbook*](https://www.keele.ac.uk/study/postgraduateresearch/kda/resources/handbooks/#pgr-examination-handbook) *and provide further detail below:* |
| Please comment on the presentation, style and general arrangement of the thesis and whether it is of a satisfactory standard for the level of the degree: |
| Please comment on whether the candidate has demonstrated broad knowledge and understanding of their discipline and associated research techniques: |
| Please comment on whether the thesis represents a significant contribution to the development of understanding and, if appropriate, to the subject field by containing matter worthy of publication: |
| Please comment on the reasoning for the preliminary recommendation: |
| Please list specific areas to be explored in the viva: |
| Do you have any additional comments? |

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| **Section C: Preliminary Recommendation *(Guidance:*** [***PGR Exams Handbook***](https://www.keele.ac.uk/study/postgraduateresearch/kda/resources/handbooks/#pgr-examination-handbook)***)*** | | | | |
| **Please select one of the recommendations below:** | | | | **X** |
| **Recommendation 1** | – the candidate be awarded the degree for which they have made a submission. | | |  |
| **Recommendation 2** | – the candidate be awarded the degree once revisions have been made to the thesis to the satisfaction of the examiner(s) within 6 months. | | |  |
| **Recommendation 3** | – the candidate has not yet met the required standard of the award, but should be given the opportunity to re-present the thesis for the original award within 1 year. | | |  |
| **Recommendation 4** | – the candidate should be approved for an MPhil, not a doctoral level award (*only permitted for doctoral candidates).* | | |  |
| **Recommendation 5** | – the candidate has not met the required standard for a doctoral level award, but should be given the opportunity to re-present the thesis for an MPhil award within 1 year (*doctoral candiates only).* | | |  |
| **Recommendation 6** | – the candidate should not be awarded any degree (fail). | | |  |
| Examiner’s Signature: |  | Date: |  | |

The fully completed form should be submitted no later than 5 working days before the date of the viva to: [exams.pgr@keele.ac.uk](mailto:exams.pgr@keele.ac.uk)