

Department of Microbiology and Cell Science

Ph.D. Degree Program

Rubric for Use in Qualifying Examination for the Ph.D. in Microbiology and Cell Science

Student Name: _____

UF ID: _____

Examination Date: _____

Satisfactory
(≥75%)

Needs Improvement
(>75% on 1 or 2 parts)

Unsatisfactory
(<75% overall)

Written Exam:

Equal weighting of questions from topic areas identified by each committee member.

Satisfactory

Needs Improvement

Unsatisfactory

Defense of Proposal (Oral Exam):

Proposal definition:

Delineates the proposed research & its key questions and hypotheses.

Literature of proposal:

Demonstrates sound knowledge of the literature of the research area and the field.

Context:

Student communicates the broader implications of the basic and/or applied research.

Defense of written proposal:

Orally communicates concepts and details of the written proposal. Addresses questions and concerns with knowledge and professionalism.

Committee Chair: _____ Signature: _____

Committee Member: _____ Signature: _____

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