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Physics – Planetary Sciences Track Candidacy Exam Form

Written Component Date:

Oral Component Date:

This form is completed when a student is working on the oral component of their Candidacy Exam. Students must have completed all core courses prior to taking the Candidacy Exam. The written component is a journal-level research paper that has either been accepted for publication or submitted for publication. The oral component is in two parts: (1) A public presentation of the research contained in the paper including the traditional question and answer period of a scientific presentation; and (2) private questioning on the detail of the presented research as well as the topics covered in the student’s preparation and course work. The written and oral components will be administrated by the student’s Supervisory Committee. A student must give the written examination paper to the Supervisory Committee 14 calendar days before the scheduled oral examination. Committee members are expected to read it and give a preliminary indication as to its acceptability four days thereafter. By the start of the eighth day before the examination, the official version of the paper is due, and the Committee must approve the paper and decide to proceed with the Candidacy exam. If the Committee decides not to proceed, the student is deemed not to have taken either part of the examination. Both the written and oral Candidacy examinations are deemed to take place at the time of the oral examination. Written results including comments on the paper are due within three days of the examination. Once the form has been completed, it must be submitted directly to the Program Assistant for submission and records.

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Candidacy Exam Committee Members

Committee Chair Name: **Signature:**

Member 2 Name: **Signature:**

Member 3 Name: **Signature:**

Member 4 Name: **Signature:**

Exam Outcome

- Pass
- Retake
- Pass conditioned on revisions (both) or additional coursework
- Retake after additional coursework
- Fail with option for MS Degree
- Fail without option for MS Degree

Committee comments:

Student signature: _____ **Committee Chair signature:** _____

Graduate Program Director signature: _____ **Department Chair signature:** _____

Graduate Program Assistant Use Only: Updated Checklist (Initials & Date): _____