THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE and ITS ROLE
The membership of the supervisory committee should be proposed by the end of the first month of initial registration in the doctoral program.

The Supervisory Committee will consist of the supervisor(s) and two faculty who are members of the Graduate School and normally members of the Department. The main appointment of at least one faculty member on the Committee must be with this Department.

In cases where the student’s research is of an interdisciplinary nature, one of the members of the Supervisory Committee might be selected on the basis of their ability to evaluate the contribution to the discipline outside the Department’s areas of expertise.

The function of the supervisory committee may include:
- providing advice on required background preparation (required courses) for the student’s area of specialization;
- providing advice as the student engages in their research;
- monitoring student progress and being involved in the event that problems arise with student progress;
- possibly, but not necessarily, serving on the student’s Examining Committee for the Comprehensive Exam and Thesis Defense.

PROPOSED SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE  □ New  □ Revised

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DATE ______________________ SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISOR ______________________

DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL

□ selection approved  □ selection rejected

DATE ______________________ SIGNATURE OF GRADUATE COORDINATOR ______________________

REF: PHD Supervisory Committee Selection Form (JanMay2016)