

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID number: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Thesis: \_\_\_\_\_

Title & Name of Primary Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Title & Name of Joint Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Title, Name & Institution of External Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Title & Name of Internal Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_

(as per academic regulations, where the candidate is a UL staff member, the internal examiner is replaced with a second external examiner)

Title & Name of External Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_

Title & Name of External Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_

Title & Name of *Viva Voce* Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of *Viva Voce* Examination: \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign below to confirm that the *viva voce* examination was conducted in accordance with University of Limerick academic regulations.

Signature of Internal Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of External Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of External Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The examiners' report must comment on the following areas:** (please attach a typed and signed report)

- The overall standard and quality of research in the thesis
- The original contribution the thesis makes to knowledge and scholarship
- The writing style and overall presentation of the thesis
- The ability of the student to defend the research in the oral examination
- The nature of the amendments and/or corrections required
- Conclusion and award recommendation

Where the examiners' report is submitted in a language other than Irish or English, the report should contain a summary paragraph written in English that specifies the overall conclusion and award recommendation.

**Recommendation:**

In the case of a degree of Doctor of Philosophy, the examiners must make one of the following recommendations on the examiners' report form:

- |  | <b>Tick</b>              |
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| a. The degree of Doctor of Philosophy be awarded   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. The candidate be awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy subject to the correction of any minor errors within a period of three months for reconsideration by the internal examiner  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. The candidate be awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy subject to completion of any prescribed amendments within a period of six months for reconsideration by the<br>internal or external or internal & external examiner (please select one option only) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. No degree be awarded and the candidate continue on the PhD register   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. The candidate be awarded the degree of Master of _____ subject to the completion of any prescribed amendments within a period of six months for reconsideration by the internal examiner  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. No degree be awarded  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

As per academic regulations: Where both examiners are in agreement on the content of the examination report, a single (typed) report signed by both will fulfil this requirement. If a disagreement arises between the examiners, the chairperson is required to clarify and, where possible, reconcile differing viewpoints. If this is not possible, the examiners should submit separate reports.

This form and the typed report(s) should be submitted to the Graduate & Professional Studies within five working days from the date of the viva voce examination. Subsequently, Graduate and Professional Studies will request an email confirmation from the relevant examiner(s) indicating that the minor errors and/or prescribed amendments have been corrected and completed respectively; this email confirmation must be undertaken when the final version of thesis is being submitted to the Graduate & Professional Studies.

Signature of External Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of External Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned internal examiner, confirm that I have read the thesis and the report of the external examiner, and I concur with the assessment of the thesis.

Signature of Internal Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this completed form and attach the examiners' report to the Graduate & Professional Studies, Engineering Research Building, University of Limerick, Limerick, Ireland. Email [GPSResearch@ul.ie](mailto:GPSResearch@ul.ie)**