Defense Approval Form

In addition to conducting thesis and project defenses in-person, students may conduct their defense via Zoom, Microsoft TEAMS, or other remote electronic media provided that the examination is conducted with the simultaneous presence (either electronic or physical) of the entire supervisory committee and the student, allowing all participants access to the presentation, all questions and all responses in "real" time. The Chair or Co-Chairs of the students' committee as well as all other supervisory committee members and the student must agree to this method. The Defense announcement form, documenting this agreement to modality, must be submitted to the Graduate Coordinator and Office Manager by **February 1**st. (For in-person defenses please check with the Office Manager to confirm space availability prior to submitting this form.)

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