Graduate Student Annual Activities Report

Each Spring, you are required to complete an Annual Activities Report. This report is aimed at helping you reflect on your accomplishments, establish new goals, and maintain satisfactory progress. It is also an opportunity for you to meet with your advisor and committee members to discuss your progress and plans.

This version of the report applies to students who have formed their Supervisory Committee.

Please complete your portion of the report and then arrange to meet with your advisor and committee members to discuss it. Note that you are required to meet annually with your advisor and at least two other members of your committee. While this is independent of the annual report procedure, it is recommended that you combine the meeting with the completion of this report.

· If you have been enrolled for five or more years (entered the program before 2006) both your advisor and the committee members must add comments and sign the report.

· If you have been enrolled for less than five years, only your advisor need add comments, although you must still meet with at least two committee members.

The guidelines below will help you and your advisor determine whether you are making satisfactory progress. After your advisor and committee members have commented on the report, please return it to the Graduate Program Assistant in PAB C139B or at grad@phys.washington.edu. Reports must be returned by May 15.

Physics Department Guidelines for the Satisfactory Progress of Physics Ph.D. Students

1. At present, the median time from entry into the graduate program until Ph.D. is approximately 6 years. The department urges students and advisors to aim for 4-6 years.

2. Successful completion of the old Qualifying Examination (or the new Master’s Review) before or during the second year.

3. The Supervisory Committee will usually be formed within one year of passing the Qualifying Examination and should be formed within two years of passing the Qualifying Examination. During the period before formation of the Committee, students are encouraged to meet with several faculty members and to enroll in Physics 600 in areas of potential research interest.

4. The General Examination will usually be taken during the third or fourth year. Students should register for Physics 800 after passing the General Examination.

5. Entering students who do not have the normal background are encouraged to take an alternate first year program containing undergraduate upper division courses in order to attain the proficiency needed for graduate courses. Such a program is one cause of modification of the typical progression.

For more information about satisfactory progress, please see Physics Ph.D. Program: Information, Policies & Procedures document posted on the graduate pages of the Physics WEB site. For questions about this report, please contact the Graduate Program Coordinator at gpc@phys.washington.edu or the Graduate Program Assistant at grad@phys.washington.edu.
POST-COMMITTEE ANNUAL GRADUATE STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT

Date

Name_________________________________________________________Yr of entry
Last                      First

STUDENT’S COMMENTS
1. Have you had any official leave that interrupted your graduate studies?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No
1a. If yes, please describe.

2. When did you pass the qualifying exam?  ☐ Autumn  ☐ Spring  ☐ Year

3. Who is your research/thesis advisor?

4. What courses have you taken this year? Please note whether you have taken or been waived out of the Department’s required classes (first-year classes and two “breadth” courses), and, if not, what your plans are to do so.

5. For which courses have you been a TA this year? Add any comments you wish

6. List the members of your Supervisory Committee, noting who is the Faculty Mentor
   a.   (Chair)
   b.
   c.
   d.
   e.
   f.
   g.

7. When was your last formal meeting with two or more members of your committee?

8. Have you passed the general examination?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No
8a. If not, when do you expect to take the general examination?
    ☐ Autumn  ☐ Winter  ☐ Spring  ☐ Summer  ☐ Year

9. Describe your current research or study program, including the progress made during the past year, and what you expect to accomplish during the coming year? Do you plan to take any courses during the coming year?
10. When do you expect to take your final examination and complete your Ph.D. program?

☐ Autumn  ☐ Winter  ☐ Spring  ☐ Summer

Year

ADVISOR'S COMMENTS
Please comment on the student's progress and plans. Do you agree with the student's assessment of his or her progress? Do the plans seem realistic and achievable to you? Do you have suggestions to help the student achieve his or her goals?

Date

COMMITTEE MEMBER'S COMMENTS (FACULTY MENTOR should use this section if appropriate)
Please comment on the student's progress, especially where it may differ from the student's own evaluation.

Name

Date

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