EVALUATION RUBRIC: THESIS (M.S.) DEFENSE EXAM (Draft)

Candidate Name:	Date:
Title of Thesis:	

Evaluation/Guidance	Does not meet Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exemplary Performance
1. Problem Definition: Has stated the research problem			
clearly, providing motivation for undertaking the			
research			
2. Literature and Previous Work: Demonstrated sound			
knowledge of literature in the area, and of prior work on			
the specific research problem			
3. Impact of Proposed Research: Demonstrated the			
potential value of solution to the research problem in			
advancing knowledge within the area of study			
4. Solution Approach: Has applied sound state-of-the-			
field research methods/tools to solve the defined			
problem and has described the methods/tools effectively			

^{5.} **Results:** Analyzed and interpreted research results/data effectively