

Dissertation Completion Process:

The Graduate School has approved a revision to the process regarding TENTATIVE APPROVAL OF THE DISSERTATION. These revisions were initiated in order to provide greater clarity regarding procedures and to facilitate efficiency of communication throughout the process of dissertation submission.

First, the Graduate School no longer requires the submission of a paper version (hard copy) of the dissertation working copy. Instead, the working copy of the dissertation **must be e-mailed** to the Graduate School at gradschool@uconn.edu (along with cc's to each Advisory Committee Member). The e-mail must reach the Graduate School *at least two weeks* prior to the date of the oral defense, which is the same day that the defense is posted on the University Events calendar. Please DO NOT submit a hard copy of the dissertation working copy to the Graduate School. A hard copy should, however, be retained in the department for those requesting review.

Second, the [Dissertation Tentative Approval Page](#) has been revised to no longer require Advisory Committee members' signatures of approval. Instead, the Dissertation Tentative Approval Page requires the student to consult with each committee member to obtain tentative approval of the dissertation, and to affirm that such approval has been secured. The completed Dissertation Tentative Approval Page must be received by the Graduate School (e-mail/pdf or fax copies will also be accepted) *at least two weeks* prior to the date of the oral defense, which is the same day that the defense is posted on the University Events calendar.

Please refer to the Graduate School website for complete information regarding the dissertation completion process, located directly at <http://grad.uconn.edu/current/dissertation.html>.

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