The Qualifier should be taken when a student has focused in on a particular discipline, and has built sufficient background knowledge within that discipline. The student must designate a primary research area from the list of current College Area Exam research areas. If the student’s research crosses over areas, a secondary area may also be selected. The Qualifier consists of (i) a written part, comprising a standard exam, taken by all students in that area (ii) a portfolio consisting of research papers or other deliverables and (iii) an oral examination.

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**Committee (please print)**

Faculty Research Advisor: __________________________  __________________________

Committee Members: __________________________  __________________________

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**Student’s Signature**: __________________________  **Date**: ___________

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_I agree to supervise this student in the performance of a Ph.D. Dissertation and have discussed the expectations involved with the project._

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