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SELECTING A DEFENSE COMMITTEE

PLEASE NOTE: The Defense Examination Committee approved by the Graduate College is different from the Studies Committee, which is appointed by the student's department chairperson or graduate program director. The studies committee and defense examination committee need not be identical.

MASTER'S: Your defense examination committee will require a minimum of 3 members including an advisor and a chairperson. Your advisor and the chairperson must be appointed members of the UVM graduate faculty (a full list of graduate faculty may be found in the Graduate Catalogue). If you have co-advisors, there must be an additional member who is not an advisor or the chairperson. The chairperson must be from outside your and your advisor's department and program including primary and secondary appointments. The chairperson of your defense committee does not have to be from your studies committee. Your defense examination committee must be approved by the Graduate

current curriculum vitae from the member are required by the Graduate College.

THESIS/DISSERTATION ADVISOR: This advisor is typically your scholarly mentor or faculty member in your program who works most closely with you as you proceed through all phases of your research. Your advisor usually has specific expertise in the field of your scholarship and offers guidance in the structure, content and methodology of the work. The advisor also assures that you are aware of



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DEFENSE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FORM

When you have selected your committee, please fill out this form and e-mail it as an attachment to the Graduate College at gradcoll@uvm.edu or drop it off at 330 Waterman.

Candidate's Name:

Date:

Program:

Degree:

Email:

Proposed graduation date of:

Year:

Please list your committee members below:

Name

Dept/School

Graduate Faculty?
(check if yes)

Advisor: _____

Co-Advisor (if applicable): _____

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