

## M.S. Exercise Science Program – Exercise Physiology Emphasis

### Non-Thesis Written and Oral Examination Format

Effective immediately, MS students in the Exercise Science – Exercise Physiology Program may select from one of the following written and oral exam formats.

	<b>Option 1 - Manuscript</b>	<b>Option 2 - Literature Review</b>	<b>Option 3- Traditional Q &amp; A format</b>
Written Exam.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prepare a manuscript style proposal of a study that may hypothetically be conducted on a topic of interest; Topic must be approved by Committee Chair.</li> <li>- Alternatively, this option may include a complete manuscript where the student already collected data</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prepare a literature review on a topic of interest; Topic must be approved by Committee Chair.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- “In house” essay questions provided by each Committee member</li> </ul>
Written Exam. Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Manuscript must include Introduction and Methods sections (including study design, procedures, and statistical analysis sections)</li> <li>- Format manuscript and references using an approved journal style</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 15 page minimum (double-spaced)</li> <li>- Minimum of 35 peer-reviewed references</li> <li>- Format manuscript and references using an approved journal style</li> </ul>	
Oral Exam.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prepare a 15 minute Power Point presentation summarizing manuscript</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 15 minute Power Point presentation summarizing literature review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Oral examination of written exam questions</li> </ul>
Oral Exam. Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Questions may be asked about any course work</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Questions may be asked about any course work</li> </ul>	

*Procedures:* Consult with your Advisor to create an Oral Examination Committee. Work with your committee to identify a date for the oral examination. Then, submit the written materials to each committee member a minimum of 3 weeks prior to the oral examination date. The Committee will review the materials within 1 week and the Committee Chair will provide the student with approval to schedule the oral examination through the Graduate School (see link below; [exam scheduling form](#) must be submitted at least 2 weeks before the Oral Exam date).

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