

**Department of Biology**

**Report of the First Year Graduate Student Assessment**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Each committee member independently rates the student's performance in each of the 5 areas as acceptable or unacceptable. Of the 20 judgments (4 committee members × 5 areas) for a Ph.D. student or 15 judgments (3 committee members × 5 areas), 6 unacceptable ratings (counting no more than three unacceptable ratings from any one committee member) for a Ph.D. student or M.S. student constitute a failure. In the case of failure, the committee will provide a summary letter that describes the concerns of the committee and measures needed to correct these deficiencies to the student and the Graduate Advisor within one month of the committee meeting.

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| 2. Logical/critical thinking:   | Acceptable_____ | Unacceptable_____ |
| 3. Ability to develop a testable hypothesis<br>and design scientific studies: | Acceptable_____ | Unacceptable_____ |
| 4. General knowledge:   | Acceptable_____ | Unacceptable_____ |
| 5. Ability to communicate:  | Acceptable_____ | Unacceptable_____ |

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Signature of Committee member: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Committee Chair Report**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of Acceptables: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of Unacceptables: \_\_\_\_\_

Summary and recommendation of the committee:

Signature of Committee Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_