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PhD Criminal Justice Prospectus Rubric – Completed by:	Date:
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To be completed by each committee member. Please check boxes for all evaluation criteria that you feel are appropriate within each attribute category. After all attribute boxes are checked, selected the most appropriate cell and score the dissertation performance (both written and oral).

Attribute	Insufficient – 0 pt	Below Expectation – 1 pt	Satisfies Expectations – 2 pts	Exceeds Expectations – 3 pts
Prospectus – written content	☐ Prospectus is/remains seriously flawed: ☐ Prospectus chapters including statement of problem, literature review, and methods are not graduate quality work ☐ Student has not made necessary adjustments to prospectus based on faculty comments, or ☐ The student has made substantial changes to the initial prospectus that indicates an 'unapproved' and ill-conceived new direction/focus.	□ Prospectus is/remains insufficient. □ Prospectus chapters including statement of problem, literature review, and methods are incomplete □ Student has not made sufficient adjustments to prospectus based on faculty comments, or □ The student has altered portions of the initial prospectus, which have not yet been approved by faculty and require improvement/additional alteration.	□ Prospectus is adequate. □ Prospectus chapters including statement of problem, literature review, and methods are complete □ Student has made sufficient adjustments to prospectus based on faculty comments, or □ The student has made substantial changes to the initial prospectus that indicates an 'approved' new direction/focus.	□ Prospectus is/remains exceptional. □ Prospectus chapters including statement of problem, literature review, and methods are exceptional □ Student has made necessary adjustments to prospectus based on faculty comments, or □ The student has made necessary changes to the initial prospectus that indicates an 'approved' new direction/focus.
Problem Statement and Literature Review	☐ Presentation is seriously flawed: ☐ Problem statement and/or prior literature is inadequately described, ☐ Problem statement and/or prior literature are not tied to research questions/hypotheses, ☐ Problem statement and/or prior literature are missing key content areas, and/or ☐ Problem statement and/or prior literature do not address proposed gaps in the literature the study intended to fill.	☐ Presentation is insufficient: ☐ Presentation of problem statement and/or prior literature is not sufficiently described, ☐ Problem statement and/or prior literature are not adequately tied to research questions/hypotheses, ☐ Problem statement and/or prior literature do not fully address key content areas, and/or ☐ Problem statement and/or prior literature do not adequately address proposed gaps in the literature the study intended to fill.	□ Presentation is adequate: □ Presentation of problem statement and/or prior literature is sufficiently described, □ Problem statement and/or prior literature are adequately tied to research questions/hypotheses, □ Problem statement and/or prior literature adequately address key content areas, and/or □ Problem statement and/or prior literature adequately address proposed gaps in the literature the study intended to fill.	□ Presentation is exceptional: □ Presentation of problem statement and/or prior literature is clear, concise, and organized, □ Problem statement and/or prior literature are expertly tied to research questions/hypotheses, □ Problem statement and/or prior literature exceptionally address key content areas, and/or □ Problem statement and/or prior literature optimally address proposed gaps in the literature the study intended to fill.
Proposed study	□ Presentation of the proposed study is seriously flawed: □ Proposed ability to answer study questions/ hypotheses are missing substantial discussion, □ Potential study limitations/hurdles are inadequately described, □ Future study efforts and analysis plan are not adequately described, and/or □ Anticipated study findings are absent, vague, and/or inadequately described outlined.	□ Presentation of the proposed study is insufficient: □ Proposed methods to answers study questions/ hypotheses are incomplete or inaccurate, □ Potential study limitations/hurdles are not sufficiently described, □ Future study efforts and analysis plan described do not provide answers to posed questions/limitations of prior research, and/or □ Anticipated study findings are not plausible or inadequately described outlined.	□ Presentation of the proposed study is adequate: □ Proposed methods to answers study questions/hypotheses are complete and accurate, □ Potential study limitations/hurdles are sufficiently described, □ Future study efforts and analysis plan describe notable additions for unanswered questions/limitations of prior research, and/or □ Anticipated study findings are plausibly outlined.	□ Presentation of the discussion is exceptional: □ Proposed methods to study questions/hypotheses demonstrate critical thinking and a comprehensive understanding of the study's impact, □ Potential study limitations/hurdles are consistently and concisely described, □ Future study efforts and analysis plan describe feasible steps and a future trajectory of research to be completed, and/or □ Anticipated study findings provide clear steps for potential implication of study findings.

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Quality of Oral Presentation	☐ Oral presentation is seriously flawed ☐ Disorganized and seemingly unprepared presentation of content, ☐ Fails to provide a summary of the all portions of the proposed project, ☐ Main presentation of content is either too short (less than 20 minutes) or too long (exceeds 60 minutes). ☐ Confusing content that is unrelated to the proposed project, and/or ☐ Professionalization of delivery is lacking.	☐ Oral presentation is inadequate ☐ Content organization needs, improvement, creating several points of audience confusion, ☐ Summary of proposed project was lacking in several areas, ☐ Portions of content seemed unrelated to the proposed project, and/or, ☐ Delivery of content was unfocused, at times informal, and did not indicate an understanding of key social science components.	☐ Oral presentation is adequate ☐ Content organization was adequate, ☐ Summary of proposed project provided sufficient coverage of all themes discussed in written portion, ☐ Content presented was consistent with study proposed themes, ☐ Delivery of content was professional.	□ Exceptional oral presentation □ Content organization was well crafted, □ Summary of proposed project provided detailed yet concise coverage of all themes discussed in written portion, □ Content presented was novel and entertaining, □ Delivery of content was polished and/or at a faculty level.
Comments:				
Overall	☐ Does not meet or below expectations - score = 0-7 (Fail)		☐ Meets or exceeds expectations - score = 8+(I	Pass)
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