

Parameters for the PhD Qualifier in ECE

Committee Instructions

1. The **committee chair submits the completed form** to the ECE Graduate Program Office (NOT THE STUDENT).
2. The Qualifier is to be approved by the student's PhD supervisory committee of at **least FOUR LSU Graduate Faculty Members**, minus the Dean's Representative (Refer to ECE Graduate Handbook, Section 3.3 for committee guidelines):

ECE PHD COMMITTEE REQUIREMENTS:

- *At least **FOUR LSU Graduate Faculty Members**, minus the Dean's Representative*
- *At least two members must be from ECE*
- *At least two must be Full Members of the LSU graduate faculty, 1 being from ECE.*
- *The remaining graduate faculty members may be from ECE or other LSU departments if pertinent to the student's area of concentration.*
- *The student's major professor will act as committee chair or co-chair*.*
 - **If student's major professor is an adjunct faculty member, a graduate faculty member from ECE must co-chair the committee.*
- *Any declared outside minors require representation, either from among the first four members of the committee or by additional appointments to the committee.*

Link to graduate faculty listing: https://web5.apps.lsu.edu/grad_faculty/

3. THE QUALIFIER CAN BE FULFILLED BY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TWO OPTIONS:

- 1.) Seminar Presentation:** The PhD student will present a seminar to the PhD supervisory (dissertation) committee excluding the dean's representative. The scope of the presentation can be the study of several research papers suggested by the major professor or the report of a project supervised by the major professor. The majority of the committee determines pass/fail. There is no limit of times for the student to make this presentation within the first two years of the PhD study but at most it can be held once every semester.
- 2.) Publication:** Publication can be used as a special track. In principle, one first- authored accepted/published peer-reviewed journal paper or two first-authored accepted/published peer-reviewed conference papers with the affiliation of the ECE Division, LSU, which addresses the research work carried out after joining LSU, can be credited as the substitute the qualifier. **The major professor should write a formal petition to the PhD supervisory (dissertation) committee excluding the dean's representative for approval by the majority of the committee.**

PhD Qualifier Results

This is an exam form for committee use only. DO NOT give to student.

We, the Committee, have evaluated the PhD Qualifier of _____
Last Name First Name
on _____ and report the following results:
Month/Day/Year

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

Seminar Presentation Titled: _____

Publication Record*: One first-authored accepted/published peer-reviewed journal paper or two first-authored accepted/published peer-reviewed conference papers with the affiliation of the ECE Division, LSU, which addresses the research work carried out AFTER joining LSU.

* The major professor has included a written formal petition to the PhD supervisory (dissertation) committee excluding the dean’s representative for approval by the majority of the committee.
Submit with this document or by email.

* Publication Citation **Submit with this document or by email.**

Each committee member must circle either (p) pass or (f) fail, then sign and print their name:

P or F _____ (Chair/Co-Chair Signature)	_____
	Typed or Printed Name
P or F _____ (Member)	_____
	Typed or Printed Name
P or F _____ (Member)	_____
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	Typed or Printed Name

DIVISION APPROVAL:

Graduate Advisor/Division Chair Signature Date

Printed Name