PH.D. PORTFOLIO REVIEW FORM

SUBMIT A HARD COPY OF THIS FORM TO THE GRADUATE SECRETARY by SEPT. 15 of your FIFTH SEMESTER (Fall of 3rd year) UNLESS you plan to begin written prelims during or before the fifth semester. In the latter cases the form and materials must be submitted by FEB. 15 of the FOURTH semester (Spring of 2nd year) or, in the rare cases when students plan to begin prelims in the FOURTH semester, by SEPT. 15 of your THIRD SEMESTER (Fall of 2nd year).

PORTFOLIO MATERIALS: IN ADDITION TO THIS FORM, YOU MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING IN ELECTRONIC FORM (Microsoft Word Documents only), by the form deadline to: Graduate Secretary.

A. A narrative statement of scholarly progress since entering the graduate program in History at UIUC. This statement should reflect on the student’s original ambitions when admitted and how these ambitions have changed as a result of coursework; accomplishments in courses; accomplishments outside of courses (e.g. conferences, reading-group participation etc.); and a look forward to the proposed preliminary fields and dissertation topic. The statement should be no longer than 3 double-spaced typed pages.

B. One historiography paper previously submitted and graded for a problems course in History.

C. One research paper previously submitted for a research seminar in History (including the first-year sequence).

PLEASE LIST BELOW YOUR EXPECTED PRELIM EXAM FIELDS, MARKED AS FOLLOWS:

#1 Meets the pre-1815 requirement. A substantial part of the exam should cover the pre-1815 time period (pre-1789 for European fields)

#2 This field covers the geographical breadth requirement. At least half the exam will cover a geographical area other than that of the major field (or of the geographical field if the major field is thematic/comparative).

#3 This field is a comparative/thematic field. All thematic fields must be comparative.

#4. This field is geographical/chronological.

NOTE THAT FOR ANY CONSTRUCTED FIELD A BRIEF DESCRIPTION MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM.

MAJOR FIELD__________________ MINOR FIELD__________________

MINOR FIELD__________________ Unexamined MINOR_____________
I (have passed/expect to pass)* on _____________(date) my foreign language requirement in
________________ (language) in the following manner ______________________.*(cross out one)

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STUDENT SIGNATURE_________________________ Date______________

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ADVISOR SECTION:
I agree to serve as this student’s major adviser and prospective thesis supervisor, and **will write a letter of recommendation** by October 15 for a Fall Plan or March 15 for a Spring plan, referring to the posted portfolio materials

Date________________ Advisor signature________________________________

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GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE ACTION

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DATE OF LETTER TO STUDENT AND ADVISOR