

LANGUAGE/SKILL EXAMINATION FORM

All Ph.D. students must demonstrate proficiency in at least one language other than modern English or a linguistics-based skill (such as computer programming, stats, or GIS) that is relevant to their proposed course of study. At the end of the student's first academic year, the student and their advisor will fill out a standard form in which they identify a relevant language/skill, its purpose for the student's plan of study, the way in which they will demonstrate proficiency, and a timeline for completion. The form of demonstrating proficiency will be dictated by the way in which the proposed language/skill is to be used in the student's course of study. The form signed by the student and advisor will have a list of standard options from which to choose as well as the opportunity to propose an alternative type of examination or proficiency demonstration. Both the language/skill and the form of the evaluation must be approved by the IH Chair prior to the exam. Any language/skills exam is pass/fail and may be taken repeatedly, though it must be passed prior to advancement to candidacy. The Graduate Division will be advised in writing about the date passed.

Examiner: Please complete **Section 2** and sign/date **Section 3** before submitting report to the Graduate Coordinator via the [Submit an IHGG Form](https://ih.ucmerced.edu/form/submit-ihgg-form) webpage. Please include relevant documentation. (<https://ih.ucmerced.edu/form/submit-ihgg-form>)

Section 1: Completed by student

Student Name:

UCM Student Email:

Examiner Name:

Examiner Title and Institutional Affiliation:

(Examiners not part of IHGG core or affiliate faculty, please attach a current CV)

Examiner Email:

Language of Examination:

Language Exam Format: Written* ☐ Oral ☐ Other:

Exam Date: **Start Time:** **End Time:**

Section 2: Completed by language examiner

Please Select One: Pass ☐ Fail ☐ Retake ☐

Language Examiner Comments:

*For written exams: Please attach selected text and student translation from target language into English.

Section 3: Completed by examiner, advisor, and program chair

	Printed Name	Signature	Date
Language Examiner	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Major Advisor	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Grad Group Chair	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

LANGUAGE/SKILL EXAMINATION FORM - FACULTY PROCTORS

The list below includes a growing number of UC Merced faculty members who are available to proctor language exams for the IHGG Language/Skill Examination requirement.

For the most recent updates to this list, please visit the [Language/Skill Exam Proctors](https://ih.ucmerced.edu/resources-webforms/language-exam-proctors) page on the IHGG website.
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