

## APPENDIX F. Advancement to Candidacy Committee Approval Form

**Student:** Fill out the box and submit the form to your Committee Chair prior to your defense

**Faculty:** The Chair should complete this form and submit to [sspb@rice.edu](mailto:sspb@rice.edu)

A preliminary oral examination for the approval of the student's thesis proposal in the major field of Systems, Synthetic, and Physical Biology:			
Student's Name: _____			
	Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
Date: _____			
	Month	Day	Year
Title of Thesis Proposal: _____			

**Committee Chair:** Indicate the outcome of the exam below.

### Committee Decision:

- Passed the thesis proposal defense without reservations**
- Passed the thesis proposal defense with reservations**  
*Committee members must, within one week, provide the student an explanation of deficiencies. Student should be given the opportunity to rectify identified deficiencies.*
- Failed the thesis proposal defense**  
*If student fails the thesis proposal, the committee may, by unanimous vote, allow the student to re-defend the thesis proposal. Students are allowed to re-defend only once.*

**Approval to retake:**       YES                       NO

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*Thesis Committee Chair*

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*Date*

**Committee Comments:**