PSYCHOLOGY & NEUROSCIENCE
EVALUATION RUBRIC:  PRELIMINARY EXAM EVALUATION FORM

Candidate:  _____

Committee Member Name: _____

| | Poor | | Competent | | Excellent |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Identifies a scientific problem that is important in the field | | | | | |
| Demonstrates mastery of the literature in their field of research | | | | | |
| Provides a sound plan for applying leading edge technical approaches to solving research problem and shows a good understanding of how to use methods/tools effectively | | | | | |
| Designs experiments to definitively test or reject a hypothesis | | | | | |
| Provides a sound plan for analyzing/interpreting research data | | | | | |
| Describes appropriate assumptions and limitations of the study | | | | | |
| Communicates research proposal clearly and professionally in both written and oral forms appropriate to the field | | | | | |
| Demonstrates ability to defend/discuss key aspects of the conceptual foundation and methods of the research | | | | | |
| Quality and style of response to questions | | | | | |

Additional comments: