

**Cultural Studies Program of Study, George Mason University**  
 Program of Study for the Doctor of Philosophy in Cultural Studies  
 (to be updated each semester by the student)

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Today's date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student ID number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Term/Year admitted to PhD program:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Prospective dissertation filing date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Credits

**Core Requirements (12 credits):**

			Completed	Grade
CULT802	Histories of Cultural Studies	(3 credits)	_____	_____
CULT804	Histories of Cultural Studies II	(3 credits)	_____	_____
CULT806	Research in Cultural Studies	(3 credits)	_____	_____
CULT808	Colloquium (3 semesters, 1 cr ea.)	(3 credits)	_____	_____

**Theory Requirement (3 credits):**

(One course minimum requirement)

CULT810	Culture and Political Economy	(3 credits)	_____	_____
CULT814	Gender & Sexuality	(3 credits)	_____	_____
CULT820	After Colonialism	(3 credits)	_____	_____

**Methodology Requirements (3 credits):**

(Under guidance of faculty advisor, students select an approved departmental graduate course offering in a methodology in which they are not already extensively trained. May be used to fulfill other requirements)

\_\_\_\_\_ (3 credits) \_\_\_\_\_

**Topics Requirement (3 credits):**

(One course minimum requirement)

CULT812	Visual & Performance Culture	(3 credits)	_____	_____
CULT816	Science/Technology	(3 credits)	_____	_____
CULT818	Social Institutions	(3 credits)	_____	_____

**21 Hour Review**

Passed date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Field Committee Approved**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Field Proposals Approved**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Field Concentration #1 (9 credits):**

**Topic Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

(List three courses including one 870 Directed Reading)

_____	(3 credits)	_____	_____
_____	(3 credits)	_____	_____
_____	(3 credits)	_____	_____
_____	(3 credits)	_____	_____
_____	(3 credits)	_____	_____

**Field Concentration #2 (9 credits):**

**Topic Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

(List three courses including one 870 Directed Reading)

_____	(3 credits)	_____	_____
_____	(3 credits)	_____	_____

\_\_\_\_\_ (3 credits) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (3 credits) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (3 credits) \_\_\_\_\_

**Elective Courses**

Course Number	Course Name & Number of Credit Hours	Credit Complete	Grade
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

**Total Pre-Dissertation Credit Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Minimum of 36 pre-dissertation credits beyond M.A.)

**Both Fields Passed?** Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Foreign Language Requirement Met?**

Language: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Language Waived \_\_\_\_\_ Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (For native language proficiency, consult with director)

**Advancement to Candidacy** Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dissertation Committee Constituted** Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Committee Members and Department**

Faculty Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Faculty Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Faculty Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Faculty Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dissertation (minimum 12 credits)**

CULT998 Doctoral Dissertation Proposal (1-6 cr) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dissertation Proposal Filed? Yes/No \_\_\_\_\_  
 CULT999 Doctoral Dissertation (1-12 cr) \_\_\_\_\_

**Oral Defense of Dissertation**

(The Cultural Studies Office must be notified of the date of and oral defense 2 months in advance)

Date of Oral Successful Defense: \_\_\_\_\_

**Approvals:**

**Advisor:** \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Director:** \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dean:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (CHSS)\*

\*Required for approval of transfer credits and reduction of credit requirement.

Note: Students have a maximum of six years to complete all course requirements, including field statements, oral examinations, and language requirements after which they will be officially and automatically advanced to candidacy. Upon advancement to doctoral candidacy, students must remain continuously enrolled for a minimum of one credit per semester in CULT998 or 999. Students must file their dissertation proposals before enrolling in CULT999. Although it is desirable that dissertations be filed in due course, students have a maximum of five years to complete the dissertation.