University of Pittsburgh
History of Art and Architecture

PRELIM FORM
(Note: To be used at the student’s first PhD committee meeting. The advisor will submit the completed form to the faculty for approval, after which the form is filed with the Graduate Secretary. The Secretary will then draw up a prelim card to be signed by the advisor and filed with the dean’s office.)

Name_____________________________   Entry Date _________________

A. To be filled out by the student before the meeting:

1. Dissertation title________________________________________________________

Please attach a one-page description of the topic.

2. Committee members:
   Advisor: _____________________________
   Other HAA: _________________________   __________________________

3. Please indicate your specific goals for the year, both toward the degree and toward your professional development.

B. To be filled out by the advisor, in consultation with student and committee:

I. Comprehensive exam areas:
   1. ___________________________________________
   2. ___________________________________________
   3. ___________________________________________

II. Comprehensive exam format:
   How many questions per area; will there be choice (e.g. 2 out of 4); what type (e.g. bibliographic or slide based)?

III. Preparation:
   Will the student and committee work from pre-approved bibliographies? If not, what other method of preparation should the student use?
IV. Expectations:
Please describe as succinctly as possible your expectations for the student’s performance on the exam.

C. Signatures and date:
We approve the dissertation topic, exam areas, and procedures as stated above.
Advisor ________________________________________________________
Other committee member ___________________________________________
Other committee member ___________________________________________
Student _________________________________________________________