

**Faculty of Engineering: Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering  
PROPOSED Ph.D. PROGRAM**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Supervisor/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Initial Registration in PhD Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Thesis Title or Theme: \_\_\_\_\_

Course to be Taken at UWO			
Year	Course Number & Title	Grade	Instructor

Transfer Credit Requests for Prior Graduate Work			
Year	Course Number & Title	Grade	Instructor

\*Transfer Credit Requests are subject to approval by the graduate committee

**Advisory Committee:**

Advisory Committee Member:	Signature:	Date:

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Supervisor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Co-Supervisor(s)'s: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Graduate Chair Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## ***INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE PROPOSED PHd PROGRAM FORM***

The student is responsible for ensuring that this form is filled in and returned to the Graduate Office **during the first month of term**. No course registration will be permitted beyond the first term if this form has not been completed and submitted. Although it is the student's right to select the program of courses submitted, this should nevertheless be done in consultation with the student's faculty advisor. The submitted program is then sent for approval to the Graduate Chair of your department.

The purpose of graduate courses is two-fold. One purpose is to ensure that the student has the technical background required for undertaking the research on which the thesis will be based. The student's advisor has a legitimate interest in ensuring that courses in this category are included in the program of courses.

Another purpose is to broaden and deepen the student's knowledge in his or her discipline. Courses in this category are important in ensuring that the student's education is not unduly focused on the narrow area of the thesis topic. The second purpose should not be overlooked because frequently employers look primarily for personal qualities such as adaptability, initiative, interpersonal skills and creativity, rather than depth in a speciality, in which case a student's interests are probably better served by a background which includes a broad spectrum of courses.

These factors should be considered when deciding on a program of courses. The advisor's concerns relating to courses considered necessary for the research should be given serious consideration, but a balanced program of courses is usually most appropriate. In the event that the student and the advisor cannot reach agreement the student should submit his or her selection of courses and the advisor should note the lack of agreement on the space provided on the form. In all cases the Graduate Chair of your department has the final say as to the acceptability of the program submitted by the student.

Note: In the event that the advisor is unavailable and has not signed the form, or if the advisor does not return the form to the student within a reasonable time, the student must submit the form within the prescribed time without the advisor's signature and comments. In this case a copy of the form will be sent by the Graduate Office to the advisor together with a request for comments.