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FORM GSBS70: TRAC APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DISSERTATION TIMELINE

Use this form to receive TRAC approval of the proposed dissertation timeline.

Instructions for Student

Please initiate this form prior to the TRAC meeting. Submission of this form completes all requirements for BBS 865 or CTS 865 (TRAC) for the academic year.

Instructions for TRAC Chair

Please complete the section below

Note: The TRAC chair may defer approval until specific benchmarks are met (for example, until a paper is submitted or accepted, until specified result(s) are verified). Approval is intended to allow the student to focus exclusively on preparation of the dissertation and should not be granted if continued experimental work is necessary to validate the thesis argument.

If approval is deferred, the TRAC chair should complete the standard TRAC form (GSBS07) and clearly communicate the expectations for completion to the student.

The TRAC certifies that (check only those that apply):

☐ The data, published and unpublished, are sound, complete, and adequate for a dissertation

☐ The committee is satisfied that the student's publication record, including submitted manuscripts, is adequate for completion.

☐ The committee provided written feedback regarding modification to the thesis abstract and outline (BBS and BCCB only).

☐ The committee provided written feedback regarding modifications to the unpublished data (BBS and BCCB only).

☐ The committee is satisfied with the state of completion of research, thus allowing the student to focus primarily on data analysis and dissertation preparation.

☐ The student has identified an external examiner who meets the GSBS guidelines.

Please select one:

☐ The Thesis Defense will be scheduled within three months (BBS or BCCB) or six months (PHS).
Provide proposed date:

☐ The Thesis Defense has been scheduled. Provide date:

If the defense cannot be scheduled within three months, approval should be deferred.

Please provide additional comments (optional): Attach separate page if necessary

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Date TRAC approved proposed dissertation timeline (This may not be a future date):

Dissertation Timeline Meeting was held (check one): ☐ All remote ☐ On-site - provide room number:

	Name	Remote	On-site	Signature	Date
Student		☐	☐		
Thesis Advisor		☐	☐		
Co-Thesis Advisor		☐	☐		
TRAC Chair		☐	☐		
Graduate Program Director		☐	☐		
Program					

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