**DDB12b – Examiner preliminary recommendation on thesis**

**Note:** This form is used by **external examiners** when making a preliminary recommendation **on the examination** of a **thesis submitted** for the degree of **Doctor of Philosophy**. This form is to be submitted prior to the **oral examination**.

**STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **TO** | **THE DOCTORAL DEGREES BOARD**  University of Cape Town  Private Bag, Rondebosch  7701 South Africa  ddb@uct.ac.za |  | **FROM** |  |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Section A: Student and thesis details** | |
| PhD Candidate Full Name |  |
| Student Number |  |
| Thesis Title |  |

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Section B: Examiner recommendation** | | | |
| **Note:**   * Select either option **(i)**, option **(ii)(a),** option **(ii)(b)**, option **(iii)** or option **(iv)**. * If you selected option **(iii)**, please **also** select a **sub-option**. | | | |
| **I have examined this thesis and recommend:** | | | |
| **Option** | **Recommendation** | | **✓** |
| **(i)** | The candidate should be awarded the degree and no further corrections to the thesis are required. | |  |
| **(ii)(a)** | The candidate should be awarded the degree subject to the required corrections. The required corrections are **Trivial/Typographical.**  My suggestions are indicated in my report. These corrections do not alter the substance of the thesis in any fundamental manner and therefore major reworking or reinterpretation of the intellectual content of the thesis is not required. | |  |
| **(ii)(b)** | The candidate should be awarded the degree subject to the required corrections. The required corrections are **Typographical and more substantial, specified changes.**  My suggestions are indicated in my report. These corrections do not alter the substance of the thesis in any fundamental manner and therefore major reworking or reinterpretation of the intellectual content of the thesis is not required. | |  |
| **(iii)** | The candidate should not be awarded the degree but should be invited to address my substantive concerns and to revise and resubmit the thesis for re-examination. | |  |
| **In this case:** | **(iii) (a) Either** I am prepared to re-examine. |  |
| **(iii) (b) Or** I am not prepared to re-examine. |
| **(iv)** | The candidate should not be awarded the degree as the thesis has no prospect of meeting the requirements. | |  |

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Section C: Examiner confirmation** | | | | |
| I confirm that the above is my preliminary recommendation upon examination of the thesis. I will provide my final recommendation upon the completion of the oral examination. | | | | |
| **Examiner Signature (signature image | text)** |  |  | **Date** |  |