

**National Chengchi University College of Social Sciences  
IDAS Application for Dissertation Proposal Defense**

- 1. Candidate (Name/ID):**
- 2. Proposed Dissertation/Proposal Title in English:**
- 3. Proposed Proposal Defense Date and Location:**
- 4. Professors of the Proposal Defense Committee:**

	Name	Title	Department
Presiding Defense <sup>1</sup> Committee Chair			
Diss. Chair <sup>2</sup> [        ] Diss. Co-Chair [        ]			
Co-Chair, if applicable			
Other			
Other			
Other			

Note 1: By convention, the Presiding Chair of the Proposal Defense Committee during the actual Examination should be an external member (and not a Co-Chair).

Note 2: Identify Dissertation Chair or Co-Chair of your prospective dissertation. This person must be an IDAS professor (The Diss. Chair is sometimes also called ‘advisor’).

Note 3: The Proposal Defense Committee shall consist of **3-5 members**.

Note 4: At least **one-third** of the Proposal Defense Committee members must be **external members**.

Note 5: You must have a member who is responsible for providing expertise about the dissertation’s research methods. Please identify which member will provide this expertise.

Note 6: The Diss. Chair’s signature below certifies that the above information is correct.

Note 7: This Form must be **signed by the IDAS Director three weeks before** the defense date.

Note 8: The Proposal Defense meeting shall be **open (public)** to all IDAS students, faculty and staff, and the final submitted Proposal shall be made available to other IDAS students.

Note 9: **A proposal is more than a prospectus**; it shall have clear and specific research objectives, theory (your perspective), and intended academic contribution(s); a recognizable empirical component; and a realistic and feasible research plan. It is your plan for success. (A proposal may involve some preliminary, exploratory research, as well.)

Note 10: It is the student’s responsibility to complete this form and ensure all necessary signatures.

Note 11: This Form shall be used until superseded.

**5. Signatures:**

Prospective Dissertation Chair (signature/date):

Candidate (signature/date):

IDAS Director (signature/date):

Received by IDAS Program Staff (name/date):