

DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH

APPLICATION FOR ADVANCEMENT TO
CANDIDACY FOR A MASTER'S DEGREE

Student Name: _____ D # _____

Mailing Address: _____

Degree Program and Concentration (if applicable): _____

University Email: _____ Expected Degree Conferral Date: _____

Pre-Candidacy Requirements:

Revisions to Plan of Study*:

Capstone/Culminating Activity:

Comprehensive Exam Thesis/Research Paper Project/Presentation Other

Applicant Signature:

Date:

Your signature below signifies that the applicant is in good standing academically, has met all pre-candidacy requirements including removal of incomplete grades and passage of qualifier examination/requirements as noted above, and that the thesis/paper/project topic has been approved by the applicant's Committee. Additionally, the research undertaken by the applicant adheres to all University regulations and policies. **Any revisions to the Plan of Study should be noted on the Plan of Study form and submitted with this document.** *Prescribed time limit is five years for receipt of a graduate degree.

_____ Committee Chairperson (Print)	_____ (Signature)	_____ Date
_____ Department Chairperson or Designee (Print)	_____ (Signature)	_____ Date
_____ Academic Dean or Designee (Print)	_____ (Signature)	_____ Date
_____ Dean, School of Graduate, Adult and Extended Studies or Designee		_____ Date

Thesis/Research Paper Plan: Attach a 5 to 10 page planning document containing the following information:

Project Plan⁺: Attach a 3-5 page planning document containing the following information:

- a. Background and Significance of the Project⁺
- b. Hypothesis or Problem Statement
- c. Specific aims or a summary of theories proposed for this study
- d. A detailed description of research methodology or approach⁺
- e. Provide a copy of your survey instrument (if applicable) and data collection plan⁺, **
- f. A time line for completion⁺
- g. References⁺

**IRB Approval should be acquired prior to submission of this application: If your research plan requires IRB Approval, then please provide a copy of the approval page with this document.