

## TRANSFER FROM A THESIS-BASED MASTER'S DEGREE TO A PH.D. PROGRAM (FAST TRACK)

Academic units are expected to reserve this option for only those students with demonstrated superior scholarly performance at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The request is to be vetted through the appropriate graduate committee in the academic unit and the recommendation is to be made by the Head (or Dean as appropriate). Only after an academic unit is satisfied that a prospective Ph.D. student has demonstrated a standard of excellence in study and research consistent with the requirements for the degree will a recommendation be forwarded to the Dean of FGSR. A request is to be made at least **one month** prior to the start of the semester from which the change is to be effective. Normally, all coursework and thesis hours completed in the Master's will be transferred to the PhD program. This form is **NOT** for students seeking to change to a different academic unit. In this case, a student must submit a new application and pay the associated fee.

STUDENT INFORMATION					
Last or Family Name First N	lame	Middle Initial	Uof R Student Number		
Email:					
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:		Business Phone:		
Program:	Major:		Route:		
Student Signature: Date:					
REQUEST					
Semester the Transfer is to be effective:  Fall (Sept. – Dec.)  Winter (Jan. – Apr)  Spring/Summer (May – Aug.)  20  Spring/Summer (May – Aug.)					
The following conditions are to be met befo	re a transfer reque	st will be considered:			
The request will normally be made between 12 and 24 months of full-time study towards a thesis-based master's degree. This is to allow sufficient time to evaluate both the course work and thesis research progress of the candidate.					
The student's academic performance in undergraduate and graduate classes must be of uniform first class (i.e. 80% or more) standing. It is normally expected that such candidates would be at the level sufficient to obtain, or be in very serious contention, for a national award, if eligible.					
The student's research progress during the period of the master's program under consideration must exceed normal expectations. Typically, a research report written by the student will be provided to support this claim.					
The proposed Ph.D. research topic should be a natural extension of, or be closely related to, the master's research topic. Therefore, it is expected that in most instances the already completed master's research will form part of the Ph.D. thesis.					
* Please attach a copy of the research report written by the student and a memo from the <u>department head or program chair</u> outlining how the student has met all of these requirements					
FOR ACADEMIC UNIT USE ONLY: Please list any courses that are NOT to be transferred to the PhD program					

APPROVAL							
Approved: Denied	Supervisor's Printed Name (if applic	able):	Supervisor's Signature:	Date:			
Approved: Denied	Graduate Coordinator's Printed Name:		Graduate Coordinator's Signature:	Date:			
Approved: Denied	Associate Dean's Printed Name:		Associate Dean's Signature:	Date:			
Approved: Denied	FGSR Associate Dean's Signature:		Date:				
Comments:							
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GS Route Fee (GPRC) assessed:							
Yes: No: Date:	Initials:						

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