**Ph.D. Qualifying (Written) Examination Application Form (Computer Science)**

**Student’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Semester and Year Admitted to the Ph.D. Program at LSU: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Semester appearing for the exam: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Major Professor (Advisor): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Co-advisor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

LIST of COURSES (Include all CORE and ELECTIVES taken)

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| LIST of EXAM SUBJECT AREAS | Have you taken the exam in that area before? If so, when (semester/year)? |
| CORE: |  |
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| SPECIALIZATION: |  |

Signature of Student:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Graduate Advisor (Dr. Busch):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**The Qualifying (Written) Examination Policy is as follows:**

* The exam is held once a year in the beginning of every fall semester. The student must submit the completed form to the computer science graduate office in the first week of the fall semester.
* The student must pass 4 qualifying exams with at least 3 of the exams being from one of the 5 core areas. The 4th exam can also be in a core area or in specialization area
* The student will take only 4 exams (all at the first attempt) and will have 2 opportunities per exam.
* All exams are closed book.
* To request exam in an area other than the core areas (that is, specialization area) requires consent from the major professor: Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_