

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee  
Graduate School

**Deferred Action on Doctoral Defense**

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**Doctoral Candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Doctoral Program:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Major Professor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Indicate the specific conditions for the removal of the deferral:**

**Required completion date** (maximum of four months from original defense date):

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**Signatures:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Major Professor

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Graduate Program Representative or Department Chair

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**Removal of Deferral Action**

On behalf of the dissertation committee, I verify that the conditions for removal of the deferral have been met, and the student has passed the defense.

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Signature of Major Professor

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Date

### **Instructions for Deferred Action on Doctoral Defense**

1. Complete the top part of the form and indicate the steps the students must take to revise their dissertation and pass the defense. Set a date by which these changes must be made.
2. Provide a copy of the form to the student.
3. Return a copy of this form to the Graduate School, along with the original warrant. The warrant should have the signatures and passing votes of the full committee, but be marked "Defer." With a defer action, this form will serve as the official documentation of the passing of the defense, once the student completes the conditions by the due date.
4. **a) If the conditions are met by the specified due date:** sign the lower portion of the form and return the original to the Graduate School.
4. **b) If the conditions are not met, or the time limit expires:** the defense status reverts to a fail. The student is considered a continuing student, and must enroll and reapply for the defense and graduation a second time. The second defense must take place within one calendar year from the original defense date.