## Technical Review - Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad

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### I. Name of Individual Applicant

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### II. Cumulative Score of the Two Categories of Criteria

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Indicate above the cumulative scores for the two categories (Sections V and VI found on the following pages. Add the scores from the two boxes on the left and place the total in the large box to the right. The sum of the Reader Totals will constitute the Panel's final judgment.

**Do not use decimal points.**

### III. Overall Comments

**Sample**

**IV. Signature of Reviewer**

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<th>V. QUALITY OF PROPOSED PROJECT (Maximum of 60 points)</th>
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1. The statement of the major hypotheses to be tested or questions to be examined and the description and justification of the research methods to be used.

   **YOUR COMMENT:** (10)

2. The relationship of the research to the literature on the topic and to major theoretical issues in the field, and the project's originality and importance in terms of the concerns of the discipline.

   **YOUR COMMENT:** (10)

3. The preliminary research already completed in the United States and overseas or plans for such research prior to going overseas, and the kinds, quality and availability of data for the research in the host country or countries.

   **YOUR COMMENT:** (10)
Score this application in terms of the Rating Scale. Indicate your score for each criterion in the box to the right. Do not use decimal points. Add the scores of the criteria and enter the sum in the box marked Total Points. Transfer the Total Points to the appropriate block in Section II on the Cover Page.

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4. The justification for overseas field research, and preparations to establish appropriate and sufficient research contacts and affiliations abroad.

YOUR COMMENT:

(10)

5. The applicant's plans to share the results of the research in progress and a copy of the dissertation with scholars and officials of the host country or countries.

YOUR COMMENT:

(10)

6. The guidance and supervision of the dissertation advisor or committee at all stages of the project, including guidance in developing the project, understanding research conditions abroad, and acquainting the applicant with research in the field.

YOUR COMMENT:

(10)

QUALITY OF PROPOSED PROJECT
(Please record this total in Section II on the cover page.)

TOTAL POINTS:
(0-60)
VI. QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT (Maximum of 40 points)

1. The overall strength of the applicant's graduate academic record.
   YOUR COMMENT: 
   (10)

2. The extent to which the applicant's academic record demonstrates a strength in area studies relevant to the proposed project.
   YOUR COMMENT: 
   (10)

3. The applicant's proficiency in one or more of the languages (other than English and the applicant's native language) of the country or countries of research, and the specific measures to be taken to overcome any anticipated language barriers.
   YOUR COMMENT: 
   (15)

4. The applicant's ability to conduct research in a foreign cultural context, as evidenced by the applicant's references or previous overseas experiences, or both.
   YOUR COMMENT: 
   (5)

QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT
(Please record this total in Section II on the cover page.)

TOTAL POINTS: (0-40)