



PhD THESIS RESEARCH ADVISOR AGREEMENT
Harvard-MIT Health Sciences and Technology

This form is to be submitted with the final defended and approved doctoral thesis proposal to the HST-IMES Committee on Academic Programs (HICAP).

Section I: to be completed by the student

Student Name:

Thesis Proposal Title:

DATE of Thesis Proposal Presentation to Committee:

Name of Research Advisor:

Section II: to be reviewed and signed by faculty research advisor.

I agree that the proposal presented to the thesis committee and outlined in the thesis proposal is adequate for a doctoral thesis.

I agree to serve as the student's research advisor and have reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the research advisor as defined in the [HST PhD Thesis Guide](#) (and listed below).

The research advisor is responsible for overseeing the student's thesis project. The research advisor is expected to:

- supervise the research and mentor the student;
- provide a supportive research environment, facilities, and financial support;
- discuss expectations, progress, and milestones with the student and complete the [Semi-Annual PhD Student Progress Review Form](#) each semester;
- assist the student to prepare for the oral qualifying exam;
- guide the student in selecting the other members of the thesis committee;
- help the student prepare for, and attend, meetings of the full thesis committee, to be held at least once per semester;
- help the student prepare for, and attend, the thesis defense;
- evaluate the final thesis document.

Research Advisor Signature | Date:

Research Advisor Email:

Comments (optional):