PhD THESIS PROPOSAL

PURPOSE
The student gives a seminar (about 15 – 30 minutes in length) and defends the originality and feasibility of the proposed thesis to the supervisory committee.

TIMING
The thesis proposal is normally presented and defended within three semesters of the depth examination.

COMMITTEE
The student’s supervisory committee should be present. An examiner is not required.

PROCEDURES
The student, in consultation with the supervisory committee, formulates and submits, for approval, a written thesis proposal consisting of a research plan and preliminary results.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES
Notifying the Graduate Program Assistant (GPA) at least two weeks before the intended thesis proposal date

Emailing the GPA the completed evaluation to csgrada@sfu.ca form at least ten days before the exam date. The template is available at:
https://www.sfu.ca/computing/current-students/graduate-students/forms.html

Printing and providing the evaluation form to the senior supervisor at the exam.

GPA RESPONSIBILITIES
Booking the room for your depth exam

Reviewing and approving the evaluation form prior to the exam

Announcing the exam to the Computing Science Community via email

Ensuring this requirement is updated as ‘complete’ in the student’s record.