

CS@VT PhD Qualification Process

Request GPC to Assess PhD Qualification

This form is to request GPC to qualify a student.

Name: _____

PID: _____@vt.edu

Requirements

Meet with your advisor. For excellence in depth, we need your advisor's support in the application to qualify.

I. Excellence in breadth

- Yes** **No** Have you taken CS courses spanning four areas?
- Only CS courses are eligible
 - Only 5000-level and above CS courses eligible in plan of study
 - Courses must be graded on A-F scale (no audits, no 5974)

- Yes** **No** Is your GPA in these four courses at least 3.5?

Enter the four courses and their areas below. The Graduate Handbook has the pairing of courses and areas, Appendix B. If you have taken more than 4 courses for breadth, **you chose the four to be considered**, as long as they meet these stipulations.

Course Number (e.g., CS 5555)	Area	Semester (e.g. Fall 2010)	Grade (A-F)

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II. Excellence in depth

- Yes** **No** Do you have a non-trivial publication record? Traditionally, this is publication of at least one paper in a recognized, peer-reviewed conference or journal, and typically with additional submissions or publications in peer-reviewed journals and/or conference proceedings.
- Yes** **No** Have you done some of your research here at Virginia Tech. That is, not all of it is done at a prior school (e.g., MS degree elsewhere).
- Yes** **No** Have you completed an MS thesis in CS at Virginia Tech, or at a peer institution?
- Yes** **No** Have you submitted at least one paper for publication to a peer reviewed conference or journal?
- Yes** **No** Do you have an advisor? If so, enter the name below.
- Yes** **No** Did you take the qualifier exam? If so, when and what was your score?

Date of qualifying exam	
Area of the exam	
Score obtained	

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Describe your research productivity: On a separate page, include your publication record if you have at least one paper in a recognized, peer-reviewed conference or journal, and typically with additional submissions or publications. Please include the acceptance rate for each of your publications. Highlight in **bold** the main author of the paper, that is the author that contributed the most to the work at hand. Underline your name in the author list. Please use a full citation format, as shown below.

J. Smith, M. Advisor (2011) Extending the Data Nose: The Pinocchio Effect. UIST '01 Proceedings of the ACM symposium on User interface software and technology. Hilton Head, South Carolina, USA - Nov 11-13, 2011. AMC Press: New York, NY. pp. 65-68. Acceptance Rate 21%

Student

I hereby certify that the information provided is complete and accurate.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Advisor

- I hereby certify that this student meets the requirements to be considered qualified for the PhD program.
- I have agreed to be the student's advisor for his/her PhD research.
- I request that the Graduate Program Committee evaluate the student's record with the goal of qualifying the student in the PhD program.

Advisor Name: _____

Advisor Signature: _____

Date: _____

If a student seeks to 3 points base solely on research publications, then two additional committee members must sign, certifying that the student's publication record represents a body of work worthy of being awarded an MS degree for.

Committee Member 1 Signature: _____ Name: _____

Committee Member 2 Signature: _____ Name: _____