

Documentation of Research Tools Selected for Completing the PhD Requirements

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The research tools requirement for Ph.D. students requires students, in consultation with the Supervisory Committee, to select two tool areas and appropriate course work to develop competency in each area. Tool areas include but are not limited to: a foreign language, quantitative methods, GIS, remote sensing, qualitative methods, survey research methods, and field methods. At least six hours of course work must be in classes that help meet the research tools requirement.

This form, to be placed in the student's departmental file, will document the two areas selected and the work needed to complete the research tools requirement. For those selecting a foreign language, the student must demonstrate a reading knowledge of the foreign language based on standards established by the Department of Modern Languages at Kansas State University. Students whose first language is not English must document that they will be using their native language in their dissertation research if they want to use their native language to help meet this requirement.

Name of **Graduate Student**: _____

Written Description of **First Research Tool**: _____

Course(s) helping to establish competency: _____

Written Description of **Second Research Tool**: _____

Course(s) helping to establish competency: _____

In consultation with the members of the student's Supervisory Committee, this communication documents the selected research tool areas.

Student

Date

Major Professor

Date