Progress Report Requirements

Part I - Overview

(1) Courses completed

*List courses completed across all years in the program.*

(2) Comprehensive Exam Status

*Indicate whether the comprehensive exam has been completed. If it has not been completed, provide a date by which you expect it to be completed.*

(3) Teaching Assistantships completed

*List teaching assistantships completed across all years in the program.*

(4) Scholarships

*List scholarships awarded across all years in the program*

(5) Publications

   i. Published or in press

   *List all of your published or in press papers here*

   ii. Submitted

   *List all of your submitted papers here (do not include papers that are in preparation)*

(6) Conference presentations

*List all conference presentation here*

(7) Other relevant activities

*List any other contributions to research, teaching, administration, or outreach not covered in any of the above items (e.g., committee work, community outreach, media interviews, mentorship of students, etc.)*
Part II – Sample of Writing

Append a selected sample of your writing that relates to research completed in the past year. You should consult with your supervisory committee (and in particular your supervisor) beforehand to reach an agreement on an appropriate sample of writing. A suggested length for the sample of writing is anywhere from 5 to 30 pages double-spaced. Exceptions to this length guideline should be cleared with your supervisory committee. The sample of writing should be part of ongoing research, rather than an extra piece of writing that serves no purpose other than to satisfy the progress report requirement. With this in mind, some suitable samples of writing include:

- A manuscript that you are currently writing, a paper that you have submitted, or a paper that you have published, within the past year
- Part of a manuscript that you intend to submit in the future (e.g., the introduction section of a manuscript)
- Part of your thesis (e.g., the introduction to your thesis, or a sub-section of the introduction to your thesis)
- A literature review that your committee sees as integral to your research progress (and that might ultimately find its way, in one form or other, into your thesis!)
- An outline of a series of experiments that you intend to complete (keeping in mind that this outline ought to prove useful when writing up a manuscript at some later point in time)

This is not an exhaustive list of possible writing samples. If you have something else in mind that you think would be appropriate, please consult with your committee. The one guideline that your committees will follow consistently is that the sample of writing should be part of your ongoing research program, and NOT some additional piece of writing that serves only to satisfy the requirements of the progress report.

Part III – Research Plan (optional – please consult with your supervisor)

A brief description (maximum two pages double-spaced) of the research you plan to conduct in the coming year. Please consult with your supervisor to find out whether they’d like you to submit this research plan.