Outstanding Master’s Thesis Nomination Form

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DATE ________________

Name of Nominee: _____________________________________________________________

Title of Thesis: ________________________________________________________________

College: ____________________________    Department: ____________________________

Date of Graduation:    _____Spring 2015
                        _____Summer 2015
                        _____Fall 2015

Thesis Committee Chair: _______________________________________________________

Thesis Committee Members: ____________________________________________________
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Please Note:  You may use up to two additional pages for your responses.

This completed nomination form is due in the Office of Graduate Studies (SSC 460) by
5:00 p.m. Monday, March 14, 2016.

The Outstanding Thesis Committee is composed of one faculty member representing each of the
nominating colleges.  All members of the Outstanding Thesis Committee will read the theses
which are nominated for the award.  The members of the committee rely heavily upon the
statements of the College Nominating Committee to understand the uniqueness and importance
of the thesis: the attached nomination form is critical to that understanding.
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In responding to the following questions, please be as specific as possible. Cite examples and page numbers.

A. Introduction
   1. Was the research question well defined?
   2. Was the need for the study clearly stated?
   3. Is this study a significant contribution to the field?
   4. Was the review of the literature comprehensive?

B. Methodology
   1. Was the methodology appropriate for the task undertaken?
   2. Was the description of the methodology clear and orderly?

C. Results
   1. Were analytical methods clearly implemented?
   2. Were adequate statements made regarding the support or rejection of the research question?

D. Discussion and Conclusion
   1. Did the discussion account for the results?
   2. What are the limitations of this project and were they clearly delineated?
   3. Were implications for future research clearly thought out and described?
   4. Was the writing style clear, appropriate, and interesting?
Summary

Please make an analytic statement summarizing why this thesis is outstanding within the criteria of the discipline.

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