**WPI DATA SCIENCE**  
**Ph.D. RESEARCH QUALIFIER COMPLETION FORM**

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**Topic of Research Qualifier Presentation:**

This Research Qualifier requirement evaluates a student's work of one semester to determine whether or not the student has shown sufficient research potential to become a Ph.D. Candidate. List semester Directed Research DS597 taken:

### Ph.D. RESEARCH QUALIFIER COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

- The Research Advisor must be faculty within the Data Science Steering Committee, or upon approval by said Committee, a WPI tenure-track faculty affiliated with the Data Science program.
- Steering Committee appoints a co-advisor who will work with the student and advisor throughout the semester.
- Either the primary advisor or the assigned co-advisor must be from one of the WPI departments participating in the Data Science program, Mathematical Sciences, Computer Science, and/or Robert A. Foisie School of Business. The primary advisor and co-advisor preferably are from distinct departments.
- Upon completion of qualifier, the DS Steering Committee appoints a second co-advisor from the DS affiliated tenure-track faculty.
- The 3 advisors together constitute the student’s Research Qualifier Committee.

### PROCESS

1. Ph.D. student registers for 3-credit Directed Research DS597 with a primary advisor.  
2. Student undertakes research under guidance of primary and appointed co-advisor.  
3. Upon completion of directed study, the student submits this research to the Research Qualifier Committee.  
4. The public presentation of the Research Qualifier work is announced at least 1 week in advance.  
5. Student presents accomplished research work in a public forum.  
6. Student is subsequently examined privately by Research Committee.  
7. The Research Committee announces the joint decision.  
8. Upon successfully competing this Qualification Requirement, the student becomes a Data Science Ph.D. candidate.

### OUTCOME

The Research Qualification Committee has made the following decision:

PASS | ADDITIONAL WORK | FAIL

Comments:

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS NAME, AFFILIATION & SIGNATURE, CONFIRMING ABOVE DECISION

Primary Advisor Signature and Date:

Primary Advisor Printed Name and Affiliation:

1st Appointed Co-Advisor Signature and Date:

1st Appointed Co-Advisor Printed Name and Affiliation:

2nd Appointed Co-Advisor Signature and Date:

2nd Appointed Co-Advisor Printed Name and Affiliation:

CONFIRMATION of MEETING the ADDITIONAL WORK REQUIREMENTS, IF ANY.

Primary Advisor Comments and Signature:

All Faculty Advisors may write further comments on an additional sheet of paper and attach.