# Oral Thesis Defense Scoring Rubric

Score all from 1 (worst) to 5 (best). Provide any comments in the space provided between questions.

1. Did the introduction provide sufficient background to understand the scientific

merit of the research? \_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Were the questions and hypotheses tested clearly stated and scientifically

interesting? \_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Was the experimental design clearly articulated and appropriate for testing the hypotheses? \_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Were the figures presented clear and appropriate for the data being presented? \_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Did the author show mastery of the data with clear explanations of the results? \_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Did the author show an appropriate level of understanding of the statistical

analyses of the results? \_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Did the conclusions seem appropriate for the data shown? \_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Was the student able to show a mastery of the work by accurately fielding

questions? \_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Based on this presentation, do you feel the student deserves to be awarded an

M.S. degree?

Yes No