

**Doctoral Program in History, Anthropology, and Science, Technology and Society**  
**(HASTS)**

**GENERAL EXAM COMMITTEE FORM**

This confirms that we have agreed to serve on the general exam committee for

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(student's name)

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Field 1: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Principal advisor) (date)

Field 2: \_\_\_\_\_

(Topic)

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(Committee Member) (date)

Field 3: MIT HASTS Common Exam List

(Topic)

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(Committee Member) (date)

(Student: Obtain faculty signatures, make a copy for your records, and return original form to the HASTS Academic Administrator.)

*Excerpt from General Examinations section of the HASTS Student Handbook:*

Field 1: Primary field to be read with the main advisor (e.g., the history of modern biology; the social study of information technologies). This exam ordinarily anticipates the area of the student's doctoral dissertation.

Field 2: Secondary field which contextualizes or broadens a field of history or the social sciences. This examination probes the student's mastery of a field of history (e.g., Imperial Russian and Soviet history) or a field of one of the social sciences (e.g., theory and method in the study of culture).

Field 3: Students prepare by reading from the MIT HASTS Common Exam List. This list encompasses the areas of social, historical, and cultural perspectives on science and technology. This field can be taken with any faculty member within the HASTS program (see 8.4 for more information about the List).