Examples of Comprehensive Examination Assessment Rubrics
Western Michigan University
Department of History

M.A. Comprehensive Examination Assessment
Comprehensive Examination Number:
Date:
Faculty Reader:

1. How well does the student exhibit knowledge of history content based on course work?

2. How well does the student show knowledge of historiography in the areas of course work?

3. How well does the student synthesize and analyze relevant historical content?

4. How well does the student communicate his/her knowledge of history content and historiography?

5. Rate the overall coherence and clarity of the comprehensive examination.

Example of Dissertation and Thesis Assessment Rubrics
Western Michigan University
Department of History
M.A. Thesis Assessment
Thesis:
Date:
Faculty Reader:

1. How well does the thesis identify and use relevant primary materials?

2. How well does the thesis synthesize relevant historiographic material?

3. How well does the thesis provide relevant context for the historical argument/issues?

4. How well does the thesis develop and substantiate an historical argument?

5. Rate the overall clarity, coherence, and effectiveness of the thesis.