

**UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON  
ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING  
PRELIMINARY EXAM APPLICATION**

TO: The Chair of ECE Graduate Program Committee

The Preliminary Examination (PE) is a diagnostic test to assess the background of the student based on questions drawn from four Preliminary Exam Courses (PEC). Before the PE is taken, students must have earned at least twelve ECE graduate credit hours beyond the MS degree and completed at least four PECs. The PE is a requirement for every student who does not apply for a waiver (see below).

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Student's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**List 1:** List twelve ECE credits of graduate courses the student completed at UD.

| Class | Institution          | Date | Grade |
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**List 2:** List four PECs (or equivalent courses at another university) that the student completed. The approved PECs are: ECE 501, 503, 506, 507, 509, 521, 531, 533, 536, 547, 561, 572, and 581. They may include classes taken during MS, and they may overlap with **List 1**.

| Class | Institution | Date | Grade |
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**Preliminary Exam:** Student applies to take the Preliminary Exam in the  Fall  Winter semester. Questions for PE will be drawn from **List 2**.

**Waiver:** The student may apply for PE requirement waiver if the combined GPA of four PECs taken at the University of Dayton is greater than or equal to 3.5.

Students who have taken one or more PECs at another institution may also apply for a PE waiver. The waiver will be granted if the student has a UD GPA (List 1) greater or equal to 3.5, and the combined GPA of four PECs (taken at UD or elsewhere) is 3.5 or above.

Student applies for PE requirement waiver. GPA of **List 1** is \_\_\_\_\_. GPA of **List 2** is \_\_\_\_\_. (Attach appropriate documentation, such as class syllabi for classes not taken at UD.)

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Chairperson, Dissertation Advisory Committee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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| <i>For official use only.</i>                    |               | Preliminary Exam is<br><input type="checkbox"/> Passed<br><input type="checkbox"/> Failed<br><input type="checkbox"/> Waived |
| _____<br>Chairperson, Graduate Program Committee | _____<br>Date |  |

Cc Adviser, student.

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