



Master's Thesis Authorization Form

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| Student Information | | |
| Name: (Last, First) | | University ID # N _____ |
| Thesis Information | | |
| Term & Year | | Number of Credits: |
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| Brief Description of Thesis: | | |
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| SIGNATURES | | |
| Student Name: | Signature: | Date: |
| Advisor's Name: | Signature: | Date: |
| 2nd Reader Name: | Signature: | Date: |
| DGS Name: | Signature: | Date: |
| IMPORTANT GUIDELINES FOR MASTER'S THESIS | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Students who have a 3.75 GPA or better after completing 6 courses have the option to apply to do a thesis. If satisfactorily completed, the thesis will count towards Requirement B for the MSCS Degree Requirements Prior to Fall 2009 or count towards Requirement D for the MSCS Degree Requirements Effective Fall 2009. ❖ Students must find a full-time Department of Computer Science faculty member with whom to do the thesis. ❖ Students must take the 3 foundational courses and receive a B+ or better in all of them. If a student successfully passes the placement exam for a foundational course, the student does not need to take that foundational course. ❖ Students should register for up to 6 credits of MS thesis work. To register, you will need to receive an access code from the Department of Computer Science Program Administrator, M.S. Programs. ❖ The thesis must satisfy the following quality criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ It must be original research or design/implementation. The work must be equivalent to that of two regular MS courses. The thesis must result in a high-quality document of 30-50 pages or more. ❖ The thesis must be read and approved by two full-time Department of Computer Science faculty members, one of whom is the advisor, by the last day of classes for the semester in which the student plans to graduate. ❖ The thesis may be published on the Department of Computer Science web page. | | |