**Dissertation Approval Page Instructions and Template**

**Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.) in Clinical Psychology**

**College of The Science & Mathematics**

Students should electronically submit a template of their blank approval page to their faculty chair. The chair will ensure that the document is correct.

1. **THE TOP SECTION** of the approval page should include the following, **single-spaced**:
* West Chester University
* College of the Science and Mathematics
1. **THE SECOND SECTION** of the approval page should include the following, **double-spaced**:
* We hereby approve the dissertation of
* Student’s name; this should be consistent with the name on all pages in the document.
* Candidate for the degree of Doctor of Psychology
1. **THE THIRD SECTION**, the committee member approval section, must include:
* Lines for committee members to write the **date on the left.**
* Lines for committee members to **sign their names on the right.**
* Below the committee member signature lines each committee member should have:

**Dissertation Chair:**

* Name, comma, and their degree abbreviations (without any internal spaces, i.e. Ph.D. not Ph. D.)
	+ Specific university position within the department. Verify the correct positions by asking the committee members (Assistant/Associate/Professor of Psychology).

**Committee Members:**

* + Committee Members must be included below with their degree abbreviations.
	+ Specific university position within the department. Verify the correct positions by asking the committee members (Instructor/Assistant/Associate/Professor of Psychology). For committee members external to the university, include their degree abbreviations, professional title, and their institution or employer name below the specific job title. Please note the committee members appear below the Dissertation Chair on the approval page
1. **THE FOURTH SECTION** should include (flush left):
* ACCEPTED
* A line for the Graduate Dean to sign their name on the left and a line for the date on the right.

**Other Important Information**

There must be sufficient space for each member of the committee and the Graduate Dean to date and sign. Spacing in the top and bottom sections of the approval page should not be altered.

Approval pages can never have scanned, faxed, copied, or electronic signatures on the original, or they will not be accepted. They must contain only original, hand-written signatures and dates.

Approval pages should be clean copies with no stray lines, marks, or running headers on them.

The Graduate Dean (or designee) will request the signed approval page at the time the student submits to Digital Commons if it has not already been sent or delivered to the Graduate School, 102 W. Rosedale Ave., McKelvie Hall or via thesisdoc@wcupa.edu. The Graduate Dean (or designee) will sign and date the approval page after the formatting and compliance review is complete, at which time the capstone is considered accepted by the Graduate School.

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Professional Title from external institution with name of Employer/Institution

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