OUTSTANDING DISSERTATION AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Name of Candidate_______________________Date of Final Oral__________

The Outstanding Dissertation Award will be granted to one student based on the recommendation of the Doctoral Affairs Committee. The award includes a $1,000 prize which will be presented at the Doctoral Convocation in May.

Instructions to the Dissertation Committee Chairperson:

The 2017-2018 award is for students who graduated (or will graduate) in September 2017, January 2018, or May 2018. Please submit the following electronically to Nancy Hall at nancy.hall@nyu.edu no later than April 20, 2018:

- This form signed by all members of the Final Oral Commission (committee chairperson, committee members, and both outside readers)
- Cover letter of support from the dissertation committee chair describing how the nominee meets the committee’s selection criteria
- A copy of the dissertation abstract
- A copy of the dissertation

The signatures below indicate that all members of the final oral commission agree that the above-named doctoral candidate has completed an outstanding dissertation and should be among those considered for the Outstanding Dissertation Award. Please note that only one student per academic year may receive this award, therefore, only those dissertations considered exemplary should be nominated.

Committee Chairperson_____________________________________________

Member_____________________________________________

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Reader_____________________________________________

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The Doctoral Affairs Committee will consider aspects of both the method and the substance of the dissertation such as:

- The importance of the topic
- The impact of the work
- The originality/creativity of the contribution
- The quality of the scholarship
- The potential for publishing
- The organization of the dissertation and the quality of the writing
- Other appropriate factors that denote excellence

All materials must be received by the Office of Doctoral Studies by (attention Nancy Hall at nancy.hall@nyu.edu) by April 20, 2018. Incomplete applications and applications received after April 20th will not be considered.