Doctoral Qualifying Exam Guidelines

The DQE questions should consist of 4-8 questions dealing with the major areas of the Individualized Courses/Tutorials. These questions should be written by the Major Advisor and submit to the Ph.D. Office for approval. At the time of the exam, the student has 24 hours to complete it. The length of the answers to the questions (in essay format) should be no less than 12 pages, double spaced, and no more than 20 pages. It is an open-book exam.

The Major Advisor (and/or committee members) will grade the exams and offer a general evaluation of the exam. All three committee members need to sign for pass or fail on the exam. An email confirmation of approval in lieu of a signature is acceptable and should be sent to the Ph.D. Office at phd@wciu.edu

In case of a fail on the DQE, the student will have another chance to attempt a second and last DQE. A new set of DQE questions need to be sent to the Ph.D. Office for approval.