Checklist for the submission of an interdisciplinary proposal.

Student’s name: __________________________                        Class year: ______________

Proposal: __________________________________________________________________

- Motivation for pursuing the program.
- Justification that the thesis and program require the framework of an interdisciplinary department and cannot fit within an existing department.
- Outline and discussion of the anticipated content of the thesis, making clear the important tenets, assumptions, methods and goals of the thesis.

Courses

- The required courses for the major including at least 6 courses beyond introductory level.
- Discussion of the appropriateness of these courses and that they fit together in a coherent manner.

Principle Advisor: _____________________________________________________________

- A written statement that he/she/they reviewed the student’s written proposal, finds that it is truly interdisciplinary, and agrees that the courses selected by the student form a solid foundation for the interdisciplinary program, and approves of the proposed thesis description and approach. The advisor should indicate that he/she/they agrees to serve as Chair of the major/thesis committee.

Other Advisors:  ______________________________________________________________

- Written statements from the other advisors indicating that they have discussed the student’s program and are willing to serve as advisors to the program.

Transcript

- The student’s most recent (unofficial) transcript.

Submission

- Submitted no later than the eighth week of the second junior semester (or, for class of 2023 and beyond, the seventh week of the first junior semester)