MSME Culminating Experience

Comprehensive Exam Option

A comprehensive examination will test the range of subject matter covered in the student’s area of emphasis in the MSME graduate program. The purpose of the examination is to allow students to demonstrate their ability to integrate content knowledge, independent thinking, and critical analysis.

1. Students must be classified before they can be given permission by the department to enroll in a comprehensive exam (697D) course.

2. Students become eligible to attempt the examination during the semester in which all required coursework will be completed.

3. Arrangements to enroll and take the examination should be made with the Graduate Coordinator at the beginning of the semester.

4. The examination will be administered during last few weeks of the semester.

5. The Graduate coordinator in consultation with individual students will determine the specific courses they will be tested upon.

6. If the examination is not passed, the student may register again for the examination course (697D) for the semester in which they plan to complete their degree.

7. Students may not take the comprehensive examination more than twice.

8. Students who fail the examination on the first attempt may be required to register for the examination again the next available term.

9. Students who fail the first attempt will be required to submit a Course Repeat form to the Office of Graduate Studies with the approval of the graduate coordinator once enrolled for the second attempt.

10. The student may switch to Thesis option after failure in the first attempt with approval from the graduate coordinator.

11. Failure of the second attempt of the comprehensive examination results in disqualification from the University.

12. The graduate coordinator will file the result of each examination with the Office of Graduate Studies.