**Course Approval Form – GEOL598 Graduate Thesis**

(updated 10/15/21)

To register for GEOL598 you must *(in order)*:

1. If taking your first unit of GEOL598, discuss a thesis topic with your potential advisor. Proposal will be due at completion of your first 598 unit.
2. **Student**: Complete this form with proper semester, schedule number, and number of units
3. **Student**: Attach your MS thesis proposal and Thesis Committee Approval Form *(unless these both submitted with prior 598 course)*
4. **Student**: email form and necessary attachments to faculty advisor.
5. **Faculty Advisor**: email form *(and rubric for units 2-6)* to the graduate advisor.
6. Once signatures are obtained, student will receive confirmation email and then can register for class

| Student Name & Email: | |
| CWID #: | |

Number of GEOL598 units taken before registering for this 598 class? Circle one.

0 1 2 3 4 5

| Semester | |
| Schedule Number | |
| # units | 1 2 3 |

**Required signatures**

- Student signature/Date
- Faculty Advisor signature/Date
- Graduate Advisor signature/Date
- Department Chair signature/Date

**Grade for first unit**: Specifics of your final grade should be discussed with your advisor. In general, grade guidelines for GEOL598 are:

- **A**: Proposal Completed. Proposal text and figures reviewed and approved with no revisions.
- **B**: Proposal Incomplete. Draft of text and figures reviewed, but minor revisions pending.
- **C**: Proposal Submitted. Draft of text and figures reviewed with major revisions pending.
- **D**: Proposal Started. Draft of figures and text begun, but not submitted for review.
- **F**: Proposal Not Started.

Plus/minus grades will be evaluated within the framework of the grade outline above.

**Grades for 2nd – 6th units** of GEOL598 will be based on grading rubric designated at time of registration for those 598 units.