DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL
OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH

APPLICATION FOR ADVANCEMENT TO CANDIDACY
FOR A MASTER’S DEGREE

Student Name: ____________________________  D # ____________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________

Degree Program and Concentration (if applicable): ____________________________

University Email: ____________________________  Expected Degree Conferral Date: __________

Pre-Candidacy Requirements:

Revisions to Plan of Study*: __________

Capstone/Culminating Activity:
Comprehensive Exam  __________  Thesis/Research Paper  __________  Project/Presentation  __________  Other  __________

Applicant Signature: ____________________________  Date: __________

Your signature below signifies that the applicant is in good standing academically, has met all pre-candidacy requirements including removal of incomplete grades and passage of qualifier examination/requirements as noted above, and that the thesis/paper/project topic has been approved by the applicant’s Committee. Additionally, the research undertaken by the applicant adheres to all University regulations and policies. Any revisions to the Plan of Study should be noted on the Plan of Study form and submitted with this document.*Prescribed time limit is five years for receipt of a graduate degree.

Committee Chairperson (Print)  (Signature)  Date

Department Chairperson or Designee (Print)  (Signature)  Date

Academic Dean or Designee (Print)  (Signature)  Date

Dean, School of Graduate Studies and Research  Date

Thesis/Research Paper Plan: Attach a 5 to 10 page planning document containing the following information:

Project Plan*: Attach a 3-5 page planning document containing the following information:

a. Background and Significance of the Project*
b. Hypothesis or Problem Statement
c. Specific aims or a summary of theories proposed for this study
d. A detailed description of research methodology or approach*
e. Provide a copy of your survey instrument (if applicable) and data collection plan* · **
f. A time line for completion*
g. References*

**IRB Approval should be acquired prior to submission of this application: If your research plan requires IRB Approval, then please provide a copy of the approval page with this document.