DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

PRELIMINARY RESEARCH STATEMENT AND DESIGNATION OF DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

Student Name:

SID: _____

Your Preliminary Research Statement is a precursor to, and should be thought about in concert with, your Research Proposal and Written Qualifying Exam. It must be approved by your faculty advisor (dissertation chair) and dissertation committee, and then submitted to the Student Affairs Officer for review by the Graduate Committee. Please do not exceed four pages in answering the following five questions.

1) Theoretical areas of specialization (e.g. class, ethnicity, gender, transnationalism). Include what you have done to develop your theoretical knowledge in your research areas of specialization and what you still need to do.

2) Ethnographic, archaeological, or geographic areas of specialization (e.g. Andes, Maya, Mexico, Latin America).

3) Courses taken and/or courses you are planning to take for preparation of your Research Proposal. Please distinguish between courses already taken and courses still needed, and provide a justification for courses selected. Do not list basic course requirements unless relevant to research area. Please list course title as well as number.

4) Additional training/field experience you plan to undertake or have undertaken for preparation of your research area (such as special research projects, language training, etc.).

5) Timeline for completion of requirements for Ph.D. (Research Proposal, Written Qualifying Exam, Oral Exam, Plans for Program of Research, Dissertation and Defense). This must be updated when your plans change or your time to degree is extended.

Designation of Dissertation Committee: (three members required, no more than four members recommended).

PRINT NAMES OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

(Chair)

SIGNATURE INDICATES THE COMMITTEE MEMBER APPROVES THE PRELIMINARY RESEARCH STATEMENT AND AGREES TO BE A MEMBER OF THE DISSERTATION COMMITTEE.

Signature of Student:	Date:
Signature of Dissertation Chair:	Date:
Signature of Dissertation Committee:	Date:
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Approved by Graduate Committee:	Date: