ADVANCEMENT TO THESIS OR DISSERTATION SEGMENT

I. To be completed by student (Please PRINT):

Last Name ___________________________ First Name ___________________________ Panther ID# ___________________________

Program Level: □ Bachelor’s □ Master’s □ Doctorate □ Other (Specify) ___________________________

Email ___________________________ Phone # ___________________________

II. To be completed by Academic Advisor: The above-named student is in the thesis or dissertation segment of his/her program and is requesting ISSS confirmation of full-time enrollment for required SEVIS periodic reporting. (NOTE: Students receiving teaching or research assistantships are subject to enrollment requirements as stipulated in their contracts.) Please complete the following as appropriate:

MASTER’S PROGRAM:

_____ The above-named student has completed all course work and had his/her thesis proposal approved (“Form M2” approved by the University Graduate School (UGS)). He/She will be enrolled for _____ one (1) OR _____ three (3) credits of Master’s Thesis beginning ________ until his/her last semester, which is expected to be ________ for thesis defense. (Specify semester/year) (Specify semester/year)

_____ The above-named student will defend his/her thesis during the ___________ and will register for only one (1) Master’s Thesis credit. He/She is aware that such a registration is not considered full-time enrollment per UGS rule but will meet immigration requirements for registration below hours in the final semester. Failure to graduate by the end of the term may jeopardize the student’s immigration status and could make him or her ineligible for OPT.

DOCTORAL PROGRAM:

_____ The above-named student has completed all course work and achieved candidacy (“Form D2” approved). He/She will be enrolled for three (3) Dissertation credits beginning ________ until his/her last semester which is expected to be ___________ for dissertation defense.

_____ The above-named student will defend his/her dissertation during the ___________ and will register for only one (Specify semester/year) (Specify semester/year) Dissertation credit. UGS approval is required. He/She is aware that such a registration is not considered full-time enrollment per UGS rule but will meet immigration requirements for registration below hours in the final semester. Failure to graduate by the end of the term may jeopardize the student’s immigration status and could make him or her ineligible for OPT.

Advisor’s Name (Please PRINT) ___________________________ Advisor’s Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Phone: ___________________________ Fax: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

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Email it to: ugs@fiu.edu Verification: ___________________________ ___________________________

Dean or Associate Dean ___________________________ Date ___________________________

TO STUDENT: Once this form has been signed by your Academic Advisor and UGS, please upload the form to your FIU ISSS Portal (F-1 Student Services > Advancement to Thesis / Dissertation).