Comprehensive Exam Guidelines for the Faculty

- Students have to submit three papers written under the supervision of three faculty committee members.
- At least two of those papers must have originated in the 200-level courses
- Each of the papers has to be about 17-20 pages in length
- The papers have to reference at least 15-20 sources listed in the bibliography
- It is the student’s responsibility to contact each member of the committee as early as possible, so that faculty can indicate if they want revisions in the papers before they are formally submitted to the committee. It is recommended that students contact their prospective committee members at least six weeks before planned graduation.
- It is expected that all three committee members will review the three papers, however, professors who are not experts on the topic of the paper do not need to evaluate that paper.
- The papers are graded Pass/Fail.

The student needs to submit all three Comprehensive Exam papers along with the signed Comp exam approval form (attached) to the Advising Office in 10373 Bunche by the filing deadline.