FORM B: ENGLISH STANDARDS REQUIREMENTS
Ph.D. Program in Business Administration

Student’s Name  ________________________________________________________________

Department  ________________________________________________________________

Research Paper and Presentation Requirement/
English Standards Requirements Exemption Request

The above named student was evaluated for English fluency on ____________(date) by:

___ Submitting one or more examples of original writing. (Fulfills the
requirements for the writing course and writing task.)
___ Preparing and presenting a 30-40 minute oral presentation.

Evaluation Result: ______Approve _______Disapprove

Signature of Candidacy Committee Chair or Ph.D. Coordinator  Date

Signature of PhD Director  Date

Note: Competency should be determined at or before the Candidacy Examination and must be deemed
satisfactory by the end of the third year for ALL students and before the oral comprehensive examination will
be scheduled. The Candidacy Examination alone does not substitute for these requirements (see “English
Competence”at http://bulletins.psu.edu/graduate/degerequirements/). However, completion of the year two
paper together with the oral presentation of the paper may be used to satisfy this requirement. Also see
http://bulletins.psu.edu/graduate/programs/B/GRAD%20B%20A.

ACT 76 – English Fluency in Higher Education Act: All institutions of higher learning in PA will annually
certify that all instructional faculty members who teach one or more undergraduate credit courses at a PA
campus, including graduate assistants, have been evaluated for English fluency. Fluency can be evaluated
using personal interviews, peer, alumni and student observations and evaluations, publications, professional
presentations, tests or other appropriate criteria which effectively evaluates fluency.