Graduate Student Advising—**Second Year Students**

Please take this form with you when you visit your advisor. You may want to take along a copy of your program card (see Sandy) to the meeting. After you've talked and both signed the form, please turn it in to Graduate Office, 4117 Dwinelle Hall, to receive your Advisor Code.

Student's name:  

Student's signature:  

Faculty signature:  

Date of meeting:  

**Important topics:**

What languages are you studying? How much preparation is needed in the languages?

What kind of historical coverage has been done in the major literature so far? (You should be aware of the Department's coverage requirement, and have a copy of the coverage list for your major literature. Coverage can be accomplished through approved course work at Berkeley or at previous institutions, by taking an MA exam, or by including works on the PhD exam reading list. See the graduate program handbook for more details.)

What classical language are you/will you be pursuing?

What kinds of critical/theoretical interests do you have? What kinds of interdisciplinary interests? How and when can these interests best be cultivated? To what other departments/programs might you look for coursework, and for appropriate professors?

What progress are you making toward satisfying the course requirements for the PhD? The requirements are:

**4 Comp Lit seminars** (including either 200 or 202). Substitutions for these 4 seminars are *strongly discouraged* and will not often be approved by the Vice Chair. In any case only *one* of the seminars can be substituted—with an independent study, with a comparative course by a Comp Lit professor offered in another department, with a suitable seminar from another department—and only with prior approval.

**4 seminars in the major literature.** (An occasional undergraduate course—with the prior agreement of the instructor—or independent study will be approved, but only in lieu of *one* of the four required seminars.)

**1 seminar in each of the minor literatures.** (An occasional undergraduate course will be approved -- with the prior agreement of the instructor. Independent studies are NOT likely to be approved.)

These are the *minimal* requirements.