

**Exemption Form for Mathematics Department
Core Graduate Courses**

Student's Work Day ID: _____

Student's Name _____

Course Name and Number _____

Criterion for Exemption:

1) Written Exam _____ Date of Exam: _____

2) Oral Exam _____ Date of Exam: _____

3) Other Criterion (determined by the DGS): _____

Signature of Examiner: _____

Date Signed: _____

Signature of Director of Graduate Study _____

Date Signed: _____

- **Core Course Exemption Policy:** Students may place out of a core course by demonstrating a thorough understanding of the “core topics” in the syllabus. The placement exam (which may be written or oral) is usually given by the faculty member who most recently taught the course. The Director of Graduate Study may also grant exemption from the course on the basis of evidence of having excelled in a similar course at another university. **Taking the placement exam or receiving exemption from the DGS must be done during the first two weeks of the semester in which you want to place out of the course.** Students who place out of required courses are expected to take more advanced courses during their first year.
- **Directions:** Once you have completed your exam, have this form signed as soon as possible and bring it to Anna Esposito in the Graduate Affairs Office in the Rosenstiel-Kosow Connector, Room 3-RK02 or send by email to the Graduate Affairs email: scigradoffice@brandeis.edu.