## Poster Presentation Assessment Rubric—Appropriate Application of Methodology

Evaluation Criteria	Exceeds Expectations 3 Points	Meets Expectations 2 Points	Below Expectations 1 Points
Selection of an appropriate problem statement, question, hypothesis, aim	☐ Meets criteria plus the problem, hypothesis, aim is compelling and insightful	☐ Problem statement, hypothesis, aim complete, clear, and credible; Key constructs are defined and variables explained	□     Vague problem statement, research question(s) not measurable; key constructs too broad and/ not clearly defined
Selection of an appropriate methodology to answer problem statement, question, hypothesis, aim *See expanded criteria on page 2 for arts, humanities, and ethics projects.	Meets criteria plus selection of methodology represents creative thinking and demonstrates a new or improved approach to a problem	Problem statement, question, hypothesis, and aim clearly translated into appropriate choices at the design level; appropriate research objectives	☐ Vague or incorrect methodology chosen to answer/address problem. Hypothesis, aim; inappropriate research objectives
Familiarity with background literature and previous work in the field  * Note: A "references" section is not required.	More extensive knowledge of background evidence	Adequate knowledge of background evidence	Subpar knowledge of background evidence in subject area
Clarity Of Poster	Meets expectations, plus poster is visually attractive, catches the reviewer's eye, and holds his/her attention long enough to convey its message	Well organized and clear; presents complex ideas/data in an understandable way; includes all key components – abstract introduction, methods, results, limitations, conclusions, references, statement of funding, potential conflicts of interest, and acknowledgments	Disorganized and unclear; missing key component(s)
Clarity of Presentation	Meets expectations, plus presentation is concise and clear	☐ Organized; all components are present	Disorganized and unclear; missing key components
Responses to Questions	Meets expectations, plus student is able to demonstrate creative and original thinking and apply the concepts of the work to other domains	□ Student is able to respond adequately to questions about the project	Student unable to respond adequately to questions about the project

Methodology Used	Exceeds Expectations 3	Meets Expectations 2	Below Expectations 1
Creative Arts: Visual and Performance	The media (visual/performance) communicate the goals of the project in a superior manner superior analysis of the goals superior composition and expression superior aesthetic appeal superior discussion of conclusions superior application of appropriate skills (e.g. photography, dark room, staging) in addition, the work is very creative and not just a review of established work	<ul> <li>The media (visual/performance) adequately communicate the goals of the project</li> <li>adequate analysis of the goals</li> <li>adequate composition and expression</li> <li>adequate aesthetic appeal</li> <li>adequate discussion of conclusions</li> <li>adequate application of appropriate skills (e.g. photography, dark room, staging)</li> </ul>	□ □     The media (visual/performance) do not adequately communicate the goals of the project     inadequate analysis of the goals     inadequate composition and expression     inadequate aesthetic appeal     inadequate discussion of conclusions     inadequate application of appropriate skills (e.g. photography, dark room, staging)
Creative/Reflective Writing	The creative/reflective writing communicate the goals of the project in a superior manner superior analysis of the goals superior composition and expression superior aesthetic appeal superior discussion of conclusions. In addition, the work is very creative and not just a review of established work	<ul> <li>The creative/reflective writing adequately communicate the goals of the project</li> <li>adequate analysis of the goals</li> <li>adequate composition and expression</li> <li>adequate aesthetic appeal</li> <li>adequate discussion of conclusions.</li> </ul>	The creative/reflective writing does not adequately communicate the goals of the project inadequate analysis of the goals inadequate composition and expression inadequate aesthetic appeal inadequate discussion of conclusions.
Critical Analysis of texts (literature, ethics, philosophy), laws or policies	<ul> <li>Superior analysis of texts/laws/policies</li> <li>arguments clear; counterarguments articulated</li> <li>responses to counterarguments articulated</li> <li>limitations of analysis acknowledged</li> <li>gaps in knowledge identified</li> <li>superior discussion of conclusions</li> <li>appropriate skills applied (e.g. legal research).</li> <li>In addition, critical analysis is creative and not just a review of established work.</li> </ul>	Appropriate analysis of texts/laws/policies     arguments clear; counterarguments articulated     responses to counterarguments articulated     limitations of analysis acknowledged     gaps in knowledge identified     adequate discussion of conclusions     appropriate skills applied (e.g. legal research)	Inadequate or inappropriate analysis of texts/laws/policies arguments undeveloped or unclear counterarguments not articulated or inadequately articulated responses to counterarguments absent or inadequately addressed limitations of analysis not articulated or inadequately articulated gaps in knowledge not clearly identified or inadequately identified inadequate discussion of conclusions appropriate skills not applied or not adequately applied (e.g. legal research)

Historical Analysis			T
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Literary Analysis and Interpretation	Superior analysis of literary materials     thesis clear     overview of criticism sufficient     limitations of analysis acknowledged     gaps in knowledge identified     superior discussion and illustration of textual interpretations. In addition, critical analysis is creative and not just a review of established work.	<ul> <li>Appropriate analysis of literary materials</li> <li>thesis clear</li> <li>overview of criticism sufficient</li> <li>limitations of analysis acknowledged</li> <li>gaps in knowledge identified</li> <li>adequate discussion and illustration of textual interpretations.</li> </ul>	Inadequate analysis of literary materials thesis unclear overview of criticism insufficient limitation of analysis not articulated or inadequately articulated gaps in knowledge not clearly identified or inadequately identified inadequate discussion and illustration of textual interpretations.
Meta- analysis or Critical Systematic Review of Existing Literature	Meets criteria plus superior discussion of overall results/conclusions     application of the methodology represents creative input from the student and not just a repeat of established work	Clearly focused question or case for review criteria clearly identified for literature review all relevant studies included validity of studies clearly appraised as appropriate relevant data extracted from studies assessment of reproducibility as appropriate appropriate quantitative analysis where applicable overall results/conclusions clearly discussed	Inadequately focused question inadequate inclusion criteria for articles missing relevant studies validity of studies inadequately appraised inadequate extraction of relevant data – points missed or misinterpreted bias in the assessment of studies inadequate comparison of results from study to study  Overall results/conclusions not adequately discussed

Qualitative analysis			
	<ul> <li>Meets criteria plus convincing number of documented observations (reached saturation point of focus groups, document analyses and interviews)</li> <li>insightful questions that mirror interesting research objectives</li> <li>superior analysis of transcriptions leading to novel observations and conclusions</li> <li>application of the methodology represents creative input from the student and not just a repeat of established work</li> </ul>	Sufficient documentation of observations including focus groups, document analysis and interviews     appropriate questions which match research objectives     appropriate analysis of transcripts and/or field notes     limitations acknowledged     applied inductive reasoning and generated appropriate inferences     adequate checks for reliability of analyses and conclusions     appropriate skills applied	<ul> <li>Insufficient documentation of observation</li> <li>inadequate questions</li> <li>inadequate analysis of transcripts</li> <li>no or inadequate limitations acknowledged</li> <li>inadequate checks for reliability of analyses and conclusions</li> <li>inadequate application of skills (e.g. interviewing, transcribing)</li> </ul>
Quantitative Analysis	Criteria for Meets Expectations.  In addition, application of the methodology represents creative input from the student and not just a repeat of established work	Sufficient number/power to answer the question     adequately designed measures     adequate statistical analysis performed     valid results/conclusions     limitations acknowledged     experiments adequately designed and implemented to test hypotheses	Insufficient number/power to answer the question     inadequately designed measures     inadequate statistical analysis performed     invalid results/conclusions     no or inadequate explanation of limitations     experiments inadequately designed and implemented to test hypotheses