

Undergraduate Research Showcase Abstract Judging Rubric

Abstract Evaluation Rubric

Criterion	Excellent (5)	Very Good (4)	Satisfactory (3)	Limited (2)	Poor (1)	Score
Clarity and Organization	Exceptionally clear, concise, and well organized for a broad audience	Mostly clear and well organized	Generally understandable with minor issues	Difficult to follow or poorly organized	Unclear or disorganized	
Research Question / Purpose	Purpose or question is explicit	Clearly stated	Adequately stated	Vague or incomplete	Missing or unclear	
Methods / Approach	Methods or approach are appropriate and clearly described	Approach is clear with minor omissions	Basic description provided	Limited or unclear description	No clear approach described	
Findings / Outcomes	Key findings or expected outcomes are clearly articulated	Findings are stated but lack detail	General outcomes described	Outcomes unclear or weak	No outcomes described	
Significance and Impact	Clearly explains importance and contribution	Importance is stated	Some relevance indicated	Limited discussion of importance	No significance addressed	

Discipline-Specific Criterion

Discipline	Excellent (5)	Very Good (4)	Satisfactory (3)	Limited (2)	Poor (1)	Score
Natural Sciences	Rigorous scientific design; evidence based results or expected results	Strong design with minor gaps	Adequate scientific approach	Weak or incomplete methodology	Scientifically unsound or missing	
Social Sciences	Clear framework; strong interpretation	Good framework and interpretation	Adequate methods and explanation	Limited framework or interpretation	No clear social science grounding	
Arts and Humanities	Compelling argument or creative intent; strong interpretation	Clear argument or intent	Adequate interpretation	Weak or underdeveloped argument	No clear argument or intent	

Overall Assessment

Overall Score: _____/30