

Non-Design Research Abstract Rubric 2017

	Good (x1)	Satisfactory (x0.5)	Unacceptable (x0)
Title (1)	Title is descriptive, concise, and meaningful.	Title provides some insight, but does not accurately reflect the rest of the information conveyed in the abstract, or is not concise.	Title is missing or incomprehensible.
Problem Framing (3)			
Background (1)	Provides all relevant context or background information.	Provides some context, but may provide extraneous information.	Provides little or no context.
Gap (1)	Gap is clear, and connected to background.	Gap is given, but its connection to background is weak.	Gap is missing or meaningless.
Purpose OR Hypothesis (1)	Purpose OR hypothesis is clear, justifiable, appropriately scoped, and connected to gap.	Purpose OR hypothesis is clear, but inappropriately scoped or not entirely connected to gap.	Purpose OR hypothesis of the research project is unclear or missing.
Method (2)			
Experimental Protocol (2)	Methods are clearly discussed, and justifiable in relation to purpose or hypothesis.	Methods are clearly discussed, but justification is not entirely evident.	Methods are not clearly discussed, nor is there any justification.
Results and Discussion (3)			
Results (1)	Preliminary or expected results are clear and concise.	Preliminary or expected results not clear, although may include some information on current progress and future plans.	No results, current progress, or future plans/expected results given.
Discussion (2)	Explains the implications and significance of results; relation to purpose or hypothesis is clear.	Explains implications and significance of results; relation to purpose or hypothesis is unclear.	Little or no discussion on relevance of results; not linked to purpose or hypothesis.
Technical Writing (1)			
Language (1)	Contains no grammar or spelling mistakes. Defines all necessary abbreviations or acronyms.	Contains 1 or 2 grammar/spelling errors or undefined abbreviations/acronyms.	Contains multiple grammar/spelling mistakes or undefined abbreviations/acronyms.
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