

SCORING RUBRIC FOR GRANT PROPOSAL

	EXEMPLARY (3 PTS)	ADEQUATE (2 PTS)	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT (1 PT)	MISSING (0 PTS)	SCORE	COMMENTS
Introduction & Literature Review	Provides a clear and thorough introduction and background	Provides an introduction and background that is only somewhat significant to the experiment	Provides an introduction and background that is insignificant to the experiment	Introduction and/or background not provided		
Purpose and Objectives	States a specific testable research question	States a clear, but untestable research question	States a vague, untestable research question	No research question posed		
Methodology	Provides a clear explanation of the proposed experimental methods	Provides an adequate explanation of proposed experimental methods	Provides and unorganized explanation of experimental methods	Explanation of experimental methods missing		
Justification	Presents rationale and significance of proposed work in the form of a well-structured, logical argument	Shows some effort to present the rationale and significance of proposed work in the form of a well-structured argument	Presents rationale and significance of proposed work in the form of a weak, unstructured argument	rationale and significance of proposed work not articulated		
Writing Technique	Uses acceptable style and grammar (0 errors)	Uses adequate style and grammar (1-2 errors)	Fails to use acceptable style and grammar (2-5 errors)	Serious style and grammar flaws (>5 errors)		
Argument Structure	Provides strong, clear, convincing conclusions why the proposed method should be used and evidence, i.e. relevant examples to support the conclusions	Provides conclusions explaining why the proposed method should be used, but weak evidence, i.e. no specific (only generalized) examples to support the conclusions	Provides conclusions explaining why the proposed method should be used but no concrete evidence in the form of examples	No conclusions articulated explaining why the proposed method should be used		
Feasibility	The equipment is available and the timeline appropriate for conducting the proposed experiment	The equipment is available but the timeline is inappropriate for conducting the proposed experiment		Neither the equipment nor the timeline are appropriate for conducting the experiment		
TOTAL SCORE (MAX SCORE = 21)						METHOD SHOULD BE TRIED: YES NO