

Student Research Fellows Program Grading Rubric

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>Weighting</b>	<b>Poor</b> <i>0-4 points</i>	<b>Fair</b> <i>5-6 points</i>	<b>Good</b> <i>7-8 points</i>	<b>Excellent</b> <i>9-10 points</i>
<b>Project Purpose/ Rationale</b>	20%	Purpose/creative goal/hypotheses/thesis and rationale of the project is unclear, poorly articulated (or not provided = zero)	Purpose/creative goal/hypotheses/thesis and rationale of the project is comprehensible but further refinement and clarity is needed	Purpose/creative goal/hypotheses/thesis and rationale is articulated, but fine tuning is suggested	Purpose/creative goal/hypotheses/thesis and rationale is clearly defined
<b>Project Background</b>	30%	Background is unclear, relevance questionable, and poorly supported by previous literature (or not provided = zero)	Background is moderately unclear with some minor problems associated with relevance; support from the literature somewhat lacking	Background is good, containing some support from the literature; content may need some minor improvement in clarity, literature support, relevance, or in writing	Background is relevant, comprehensive, well supported by the literature, and clearly articulated
<b>Project Methods</b>	30%	Missing several elements related to participants (if necessary), procedures or analyses (if not able to be completed with the allotted resources = zero)	Missing more than one element related to participants (if necessary), procedures or analyses, or will require some additional resources.	Missing one element related to participants (if necessary), procedures or analyses or may require additional resources.	Missing no elements related to participants (if necessary), procedures or analyses; makes contribution to the respective field.
<b>Proposal Formatting &amp; Writing Quality</b>	10%	Writing and organization poor; improvement in writing needed to aid in understanding	Writing and organization acceptable but refinements would improve application clarity	Well organized and written; good clarity	Exceptionally well organized and concisely written
<b>Project Timeline</b>	10%	Unclear and is not aligned with the Fellows program parameters (or not provided = zero)	Lacks detail AND is not well aligned with the parameters of the Fellows program	Lacks some detail OR is not well aligned with the parameters of the Fellows program	Well outlined and feasible within the parameters of the Fellows program