PAPER GRADING RUBRIC

Content

(writing style, depth and elaboration of points, evidence of supporting research)

Exceptional	Well written, fully elaborates points, evidence of thorough research, clear and detailed information that supports thoughts and ideas.
Meets Expectations	Well written, most points elaborated with clear and detailed information that supports thoughts and ideas.
Needs Improvement	Adequately written, some points elaborated but minimal use of concepts from the material, lacks in-depth research.
Poor	Poor writing style, few specific details, little evidence of research or having studied the material, off topic.

Structure

(organization and focus)

Exceptional	Clearly organized and remains focused.
Meets Expectations	Good organization with few statements out of place.
Needs Improvement	Organization present but awkward.
Poor	Little or no structure present.

Mechanics

(grammar and citation style)

Exceptional	Few or no grammatical and citation errors or citation inconsistency.
Meets Expectations	Minor grammatical or citation errors or citation inconsistency.
Needs Improvement	Some grammatical or citation errors or citation inconsistency present.
Poor	Grammatical or/and citation errors interfere with comprehension.

General scheme

Your papers will be graded on the following general scheme: 40% content, 40% structure, and 20% mechanics.