

**Review of research and creative activities applications submitted by
WCU students for the awards at the Annual Research Day at WCU**

Evaluation Rubric to assess the level of strength of applicants' documents based on the following semantic differential scale:

Weak = 1; Strong = 5

SCALE	Review Criteria		
	ABSTRACT	INTRODUCTION	METHODOLOGY
5 = Strong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The abstract presents a very clear and concise description of a completed project Includes a clear discussion of all sections of the Project Narrative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very clearly includes all background necessary for a reviewer in a different field to understand the importance of the project Includes a very clear and comprehensive review of related work that has already been done in the field Very clearly substantiates the project significance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Methodology/process is well stated, very appropriate and very comprehensive Very clearly defines processes and procedures used to achieve well stated objective(s)
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The abstract presents a clear and concise description of a completed project Includes a discussion of majority of the required sections of the Project Narrative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes clear background necessary for a reviewer in a different field to understand the importance of the project Includes clear review of related work that has already been done in the field Clearly substantiates the project significance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Methodology/process is understandable, appropriate and comprehensive Clearly defines processes and procedures used to achieve well stated objective(s)
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The abstract presents a vague description of the project that is completed The abstract addresses some of the required sections of the Project Narrative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Background is somewhat presented, but not enough for a reviewer in a different field to understand the importance of the project Does not include a clear review of related work that has been completed Does not substantiate the project significance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Methodology/process is understandable, appropriate and adequate Somewhat defines some processes and procedures used to achieve well stated objective(s)
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The abstract presents a very vague description of an incomplete project The abstract addresses one required session of the Project Narrative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Background vaguely presented Vague literature review Does not substantiate project significance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Methodology/process is incomplete and vague Does not define processes and procedures used to achieve well stated objective(s)
1 = Weak	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The abstract does not describe the project The abstract does not address any of the sessions of the Project Narrative <p>NOTE: Zero point for missing Abstract</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vague, or poorly written section, which does not clarify a context for the project. <p>NOTE: Zero point for missing Introduction.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Methodology is very vague <p>NOTE: Zero point for missing Methodology</p>

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EVALUATION SCALE	Review Criteria		
	RESULTS/OUTCOMES	CONCLUSION	LETTER OF SUPPORT
5 = Strong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The results are well stated/described/shown as appropriate for the project For a research paper, the results are very well presented For artwork/dance etc, the method of presentation is the most suitable for the project Demonstrates concrete and specific evidence that the planned project goals/objectives were achieved or a strong rationale of why they were not achieved 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly states why the results are meaningful Project outcome/results clearly summarized Future work is clearly described and shows thoughtfulness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter addresses both the strengths and weaknesses, but highlights why the strengths outweigh the weaknesses The letter is very detailed The letter is very insightful The letter makes it apparent that the writer did mentor the student in the project and fully supports the application
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The results are reasonably well stated/described/shown as appropriate for the project For a research paper, the results are reasonably well presented For artwork/dance etc, the method of presentation is appropriate for the project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suggests that the results are meaningful Project outcome/results somewhat summarized Future work is somewhat described 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter addresses both the strengths and weaknesses, but highlights why the strengths outweigh the weaknesses The letter is detailed The letter is insightful The letter makes it apparent that the writer supports the application
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The results are stated/described/shown in a confusing manner For a research paper, the results are not well presented For artwork/dance etc, the method of presentation is not reasonably appropriate for the project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suggest that some results meaningful Project outcome/results not well summarized Future work is alluded to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter is somewhat vague regarding the strengths and weaknesses, but overall positive The letter is somewhat detailed The letter is somewhat insightful The letter generally supports the application
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The results are not reasonably presented For a research paper, the results are poorly presented For artwork/dance etc, the method of presentation is very inappropriate for the project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> States that the results are meaningful, but the evidence included does not support well Project outcome/results poorly summarized Future work is not mentioned 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter is vague regarding the strengths and weaknesses, The letter is not detailed The letter is not insightful The letter somewhat supports the application
1 = Weak	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results are inconclusive, poorly presented, irrational, or vague <p>NOTE: Zero point for missing Results/Outcomes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None of the criteria addressed <p>NOTE: Zero point for missing Conclusion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter is very vague regarding the strengths and weaknesses, The letter is not very detailed The letter is not very insightful The letter does not support the application <p>NOTE: Zero point for missing Letter of Support</p>

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