

Paper Rubric for Research Project

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Item	Points Possible	Points Earned
The writer's central purpose or argument is readily apparent to the reader.	5	
Balanced presentation of relevant and legitimate information that clearly supports a central purpose or argument and shows a thoughtful, in-depth analysis of a significant topic. Reader gains important insights.	5	
The ideas are arranged logically to support the purpose or argument. They flow smoothly from one to another and are clearly linked to each other. The reader can follow the line of reasoning.	5	
The writing is compelling. It hooks the reader and sustains interest throughout.	5	
The tone is consistently professional and appropriate for the academic research paper.	5	
Sentences are well-phrased and varied in length and structure. They flow smoothly from one to another.	5	
Word choice is consistently precise and accurate.	5	
The writing is free or almost free of errors.	5	
Compelling evidence from professional legitimate sources is given to support claims. Attribution is clear and fairly represented.	5	
References are primarily peer-reviewed professional journals or other approved sources. The reader is confident that the information and ideas can be trusted.	5	