

Sociology Senior Project Oral Presentation Rubric

| | Emerging | Developing | Proficient | Accomplished |
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| Originality/ Creativity | Contributes little or no original perspective on the subject and makes no reference to existing approaches | Either shows some evidence of creative approach to the subject or a minimal awareness of a variety of approaches | Clearly offers an original approach with respect to the subject, drawing some relationships to other viewpoints | Demonstrates a truly original approach to the subject, deeply contextualized by existing approaches |
| Focus & Clarity | Presentation of subject is either too broad or too narrow, and demonstrates no clear goal | Some important aspects of the project seem missing from presentation, and aim is somewhat unclear | Most important aspects of the project are addressed, and its goal is evident | Conveys the key points of the project and its research and accomplishes a clearly expressed goal |
| Scholarly Content | Demonstrates lack of awareness of relevant work in the area addressed, or presents misinformation | Incorporates references to some research, but lacks either in quantity or substance | Regularly makes connections to the appropriate scholarship, but inconsistent in the use of evidence and terminology | Situates the research question in the appropriate body of scholarship, uses evidence and applies terminology effectively. |
| Organization | Lacks a clear structure and fails to reach a conclusion | Some ideas are not clearly organized, and lacks some important connections | Has a clearly identifiable structure but may lack some connections | Has a coherent structure that leads the audience to a powerful conclusion |
| Delivery | Perfunctory performance; evidences obvious lack of rehearsal | Sustains audience attention only at times; inconsistent tempo and/or fails to meet time limits | Holds audience attention for most of presentation, with somewhat uneven tempo | Engaging, stimulating and well-rehearsed; sustains attention throughout the entire presentation |