

UROP Symposium Abstract Rubric

Abstract Content/Questions	Acceptable	Not Acceptable
<p>Question #1:</p> <p>The problem to be investigated: Why was the project undertaken?</p>	<p>Problem is identified; Reason is connected to previous literature</p>	<p>Problem is not identified; No indication of history</p>
<p>Question #2:</p> <p>How does this research differ from similar projects?</p>	<p>The improvement/contrast from previous research is clear</p>	<p>No difference is identified; No history is provided for comparison</p>
<p>Question #3:</p> <p>The methods: What were the important steps in performing the project?</p>	<p>Methods, resources, or steps used (if applicable) are specific and concise</p>	<p>No applicable methods are discussed</p>
<p>Question #4:</p> <p>The major results: What are the major results—not necessarily all of the results—of the project so far?</p>	<p>Results are clearly stated, or if no results yet, there is a mention that they are forthcoming</p>	<p>No mention of results or why they weren't achieved</p>
<p>Question #5:</p> <p>The interpretation and implications: What did you learn from the results, and why are these results important?</p>	<p>Potential impact is clearly stated</p>	<p>No convincing information provided</p>
<p>Writing</p>	<p>Sentences are easily understood; cohesive; contains no errors in spelling, grammar, or language use</p>	<p>A bit of a struggle to understand sentences; lacks flow; contains too many errors in spelling, grammar, or language use</p>