## Abstract Evaluation Rubric

**Score** | **Format/Grammar** | **Clarity of Objective and Title** | **Methods** | **Results and Interpretation** | **Implications/Contribution** | **Communication to the General Audience**
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4 | Meets all formatting guidelines (see guidelines below) with no spelling, grammar, or punctuation errors. | Objective of work is communicated clearly with purposeful language and is well justified. | Methodology is well presented and displays a clear progression toward the objectives. | Results presented are clear and related to the objectives. | Abstract communicates how research is clear, substantial, novel, current, or cutting-edge in participant’s field and/or beyond. | Understandable for people from different fields of the present study. |
3 | Meets most formatting guidelines: but still within 250 words. | Objective is generally clear, but not consistently. | Methodology is generally clear, but not consistent and/or unclear. | Results support the objective but lack clarity. | Work highlights a limited impact in presenter’s field and/or community but is still relevant. | Understandable but is not written appropriately to use minimum technical terms. |
2 | Meets some formatting guidelines, but is over 250 words. | Objective is generally unclear and inconsistent. | Methodology is unclear and inconsistent with the objectives. | Results are preliminary and poorly represent objectives. | Impact of work is unclear, loosely related to the field, not completely current, or poorly presented. | Reaching minimum understanding and isn’t compelling to the general audience. |
1 | Did not follow formatting guidelines: Not organized, no headings, or multiple spelling and punctuation errors. | Objective is not stated or underdeveloped nor justified. | Logical errors in methods. Appropriate methodology is unclear. | Results are not sufficient enough to support the objectives of the work. | The original contribution or appropriateness to the field is not presented or loosely justified. | Unnecessarily vague writing to general audience. |

**Score**

**Total score__________**
Other rules for abstract selection

- Author may submit 1 abstract only with the choice of specific category. If one of the categories is overpopulated while the others are insufficient, then the abstract can be moved to a different but related category upon committee and author’s approval.
- The maximum possible points are 24. If two reviewers’ suggestions have more than 5 points difference, the abstract should be reviewed by a third member of the committee to reduce the outlier biases.

Abstract Format
Abstract should be formatted as noted below. Poorly formatted submissions will be disqualified.

- Abstracts should not exceed 250 words.
- Abstracts should follow the template for submission.

Abstract submission template:

Principal Topic
*Introduce your topic. Discuss your theoretical framework. Discuss why this research is important and/or relevant in your field.*

Method
*Clarify your research question/hypotheses/propositions. Describe your data, variables, methods, or etc.*

Results/Implications
*Provide a summary of your results. Describe how these results impact your field. Why are these results important in your field of study?*