



GRI Scoring Rubric (2026)

Proposal Title: _____

Reviewer: _____

First time GRI participant: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Project Goals and Outcomes Score: _____	No stated project goals or outcomes; no stated purpose.	Vaguely stated project goals or outcomes; vaguely stated purpose.	Clearly stated project goals or outcomes; clearly stated purpose. Measurable objectives are defined.	Outstanding statement of project goals / outcomes; outstanding statement of purpose.
Project Significance Score: _____	No discussion of project benefit, significance, or contribution.	Incomplete explanation of project benefit, significance, or contribution.	Strong explanation of project benefit, significance, or contribution to all possible stakeholders in the outcomes.	Outstanding explanation of how project benefits, significance, or contributions impact all stakeholders, especially DSU community.
Understanding the Work of Others Score: _____	Project fails to define relationship of proposed work and current work found in refereed literature.	Literature / previous work is cited but is only partially or vaguely linked to the project.	Literature / previous work is synthesized and clearly linked to project.	Literature / previous work comprehensively synthesized and clearly linked to the project in a way that shows extended relevance.

Methods, Procedures, Techniques and Analysis Score: _____	No methods and procedures are stated; no description of evaluation or analysis process is provided.	Vague or unclear methods and procedures; an incomplete and/or unclear description of evaluation or analysis process is provided.	Clearly stated methods and procedures; a complete description of evaluation or analysis process is provided.	Outstanding explanation of methods and procedures; a complete and thorough description of evaluation or analysis process is provided. Research methods are clearly justified by nature of the research questions.
Timeline and Completion Score: _____	No timeline is provided.	Vague or unclear statement of how research completion timelines are met.	Clear plans on how and when benchmarks will be met to ensure project completion.	Focused benchmarks placed on a well-defined and realistic timeline.

Comments: _____
