

GEM For STEM

Research Assistance Scholarship Grading Rubric

	Unsatisfactory	Less Than Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent
Project Proposal	0	1	2	3	4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal length and/or formality are not adequate. • Proposal components are mostly missing or incomplete and are not thoroughly explained. • Budget line items are not addressed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal is less than 4 pages and/or informal. • Some proposal components are missing or incomplete and are not thoroughly explained. • Budget line items are not adequately addressed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal is 4-7 pages and mostly concise and formal. • Most of the proposal components are included but may not be thoroughly explained. • Budget line items are partially addressed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal is 4-7 pages and mostly concise and formal. • All of the proposal components are included but may not be thoroughly explained. • Budget line items are addressed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal is 4-7 pages, concise, and formal. • All of the proposal components are included and clearly explained. • Budget line items are clearly addressed.
Project Budget	0	1	2	3	4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missing or incomplete • Budget line items are not included, or pricing is inaccurate. It is not stated if the award covers full or partial funding. • Budget justification is not included. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 1 page • Budget line items do not include accurate and up to date pricing and does not reflect whether the award covers full or partial funding. • Budget justification does not adequately explain how funds will be used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-2 pages • Budget line items included mostly accurate and up to date pricing and may reflect whether the award covers full or partial funding. • Budget justification includes partial explanations for line items and how funds will be used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-2 pages • Budget line items include accurate and up to date pricing and reflect whether the award covers full or partial project funding. • Budget justification includes explanations for line items and how funds will be used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-2 Pages • Budget line items include accurate and up to date pricing and reflect whether the award covers full or partial project funding. • Budget justification includes clear and thorough explanations for line items and how funds will be used.
Mechanics of Writing	0	1	2	3	4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Errors in spelling, grammar, or language use are very pervasive and make writing unclear. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Errors in spelling, grammar, or language use are distracting. Tone and structure are not academic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some mechanical errors or typos are present but not overly distracting. Tone and structure are partially academic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing is largely free of mechanical errors and mostly maintains appropriate structure and academic tone. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing is free of errors and maintains appropriate structure and academic tone.

- Applicants are graded on a scale from 0 – 12. Circle the appropriate number in each of the three categories and combine the total from each row for an overall score. Research Proposals will be reviewed by at least 3 members of the scholarship committee and an applicant's score must average a minimum of 7 out of 12 to be considered eligible for a Committee Vote.
- Total Combined Score: _____ (Add the circled number from each row for total combined score, cannot be more than 12)
- Did the Applicant convey a passion for science or a desire to continue their education? Yes or No
- Do you feel the Applicant exhibits growth potential or the ability to make a contribution to their field? Yes or No
- Did you enjoy reading the applicant's proposal? Yes or No
- Do you recommend the Applicant receive funding? **Yes or No** (This is your official committee vote, be sure to answer this question)