

COMS 647

Research Project Evaluation

Name:

Basic Requirements (20 points) –

- The project is turned in on time and with a word count (including references and endnotes) of 6,000 to 8,000 words. (10)
- The project constitutes a significant contribution to the field of information and communication technology (ICT) by engaging an extent debate, opening a new avenue of inquiry, or assessing the significance of recent research or technological innovation. (10)

Thesis & Method (20 points) –

- The essay has a clearly articulated and easy to identify thesis located somewhere near the beginning of the text. The thesis is argumentative and capable of being proven within a short essay. (1–10)
- The essay employs an appropriate means for proving its thesis. This methodology is well devised and articulated, and it is able to provide convincing evidence or data to support the thesis. (1–10)

Argumentation & Design (20 points) –

- The essay provides compelling and convincing arguments to prove the thesis. It avoids (or at least minimizes) unsubstantiated generalizations, unsupported opinion, or unproven conclusions. (1–10)
- The text is well written and organized. Transitions between sections or paragraphs are smooth and logical, subheadings (if used) are well positioned and formulated, and the compositional form of the presentation (i.e personal narrative, expository essay, dialogue, etc.) is appropriate for the content. (1–10)

Lit Review & Outcomes (20 points) –

- The essay employs at least 15 different sources. This selection of literature is appropriate for the scope of the project and suitable for the essay's thesis and methodology. (1–10)
- The essay ends with a conclusion or summary statement. This conclusion directly respond to the thesis and follow logically from the method employed and the arguments and evidence that were provided in the course of the text. (1–10)

Mechanics (20 points) –

- The text is free of errors in spelling, grammar, and punctuation. (1–10)
- The text correctly employs APA style for citations, references, and bibliography. (1–10)

Total: