	Excellent (4.25-5.00 pts)	Very Good (3.25-4.00 pts)	Good (2.25-3.00 pts)	Fair (1.25-2.00 pts)	Poor (0.00-1.00 pt)
Clarity	 Uses language that is understandable to those outside of the discipline Consistently explains/defines technical words. Excellent grammar usage with minimal errors Excellent organization; writing flows extremely well. 	 Uses language well but may not be understood by some outside the discipline. Explains/defines most, but not all, technical words. Very good grammar usage with few errors Very good organization; writing flows very well. 	 Uses language that is generally understandable to those outside the discipline. A few definitions or explanations are given for technical language. Good grammar usage but with noticeable errors. Good organization but writing does not flow well. 	 Uses much discipline specific language; difficult to understand by those outside the discipline. Minimal to no definitions of technical language. Grammar has frequent and noticeable errors but the meaning is not lost. Fair organization but hard to follow. 	 Language usage renders proposal confusing to a person outside the discipline No definitions provided for technical language. Grammar errors cause the proposal to be difficult to read and understand. Poor organization; very difficult to follow.
Significance	 The project is demonstrated to be critically important for the student's own career, research or academic advancement. The project is not covered by the regular curriculum or is unavailable for some other reason. Student is a unique fit for the project. The project is perfectly feasible for the institution, faculty, and student to complete. 	 The project is demonstrated to be important for the student's own career, research or academic advancement. The project is not likely to be covered by the regular curriculum or is not readily available for some other reason. Student is a very good fit for the project. The project is feasible for the institution, faculty, and student to complete. 	 The project will enhance the student's own career, research or academic advancement, but is not important to their advancement. The project is very likely to be investigated in the regular curriculum. Student is a good fit for the project. The project is feasible for the institution, faculty, and student to complete but will require minimal additional effort. 	The project has minimal importance to the student's own career, research or academic advancement. The project is often investigated in the regular curriculum. Student should fit the project. The institution, faculty, and student may complete the project, but with great additional effort.	 The project has no importance to the student's own career, research or academic advancement. The project is a regular part of standard curriculum. Student is a poor fit for the project. The institution, faculty, and student cannot complete the project.
Relevance	The project focuses on an unanswered question or unexplored area in the respective discipline. Proposal develops a new, innovative, and effective method of study. The project goals will advance the discipline's understanding of an important area relative to the discipline.	 The project focuses on a generally under-studied question or rarely explored area in the respective discipline. Proposal includes a proven and effective method of study, applied in an innovative manner. The project goals will bolster the discipline's understanding of the area. 	 The project focuses on an important question or area in the respective discipline. Proposal utilizes a proven method of study. The project goals will grow the discipline's understanding of the area. 	The project focuses on a relevant question or area in the respective discipline. Proposal has little discussion on the method of study to be utilized. The project goals will reinforce the discipline's understanding of the area.	 The focus of the project is not important, is outdated or otherwise irrelevant to the respective discipline. The method of study is ineffective or not discussed at all. The project goals do not contribute to the discipline's understanding of the area.
Learning Outcomes	The outcomes of this project exceed the goals of UNCP* and PURC**. Students will demonstrate multiple, tangible benefits by participating in this project (e.g. public presentations, publications, awards, etc.).	 The outcomes of this project meet the goals of UNCP* and PURC**. Students will demonstrate at least one tangible benefit by participating in this project (e.g. public presentations, publications, awards, etc.). 	The outcomes of this project meet most of the goals UNCP* and PURC**. Students may demonstrate a tangible benefit by participating in this project but such an outcome is not clearly defined in the proposal.	 The outcomes of this project meet some goals of UNCP* and PURC**. Proposal does not clearly state how the student will demonstrate a tangible benefit by participating in this project. 	 The outcomes of this project did not meet any goals of UNCP* and PURC**. No tangible benefit can be demonstrated as a result of the student's participation in this project.

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