

LIFE AND HEALTH SCIENCES RESEARCH EXPO — Research Presentation Competition Judging Rubric

Presenter name: _____ College/School: _____ Poster/Abstract #: _____

USask affiliation: UNDERGRAD GRAD STUDENT POSTDOC RESIDENT OTHER: _____ Judge name: _____

Poster category: _____ Optional, self-declared theme: _____

CATEGORY	1	2	3	4	5	SCORE
Abstract	Unable to clearly connect abstract to research poster or presentation.	Somewhat able to see the connection of abstract to research/presentation. Abstract did not contain sufficient information.	Abstract adequately presented the student's research. More information would have been beneficial.	Abstract represented the student's research well. Main findings are clearly stated.	Abstract reflects the presented research in every way.	
Poster content	Connection not found between poster content and purpose of study, research hypothesis/question(s), method, conclusions, or implications.	Content presented was difficult to understand and did not sufficiently convey a connection to the study, hypothesis, research question(s), method, conclusion, and/or implications.	The content was adequately presented but support for the study, research hypothesis, or question(s) was somewhat general. Conclusion and implications were reasonable.	Well summarized. Clearly shows development of research. Material appears to accurately support the purpose, hypothesis, or research question. Good conclusion presented.	The poster is exceptional. Extremely clear. Excellent conclusion presented.	
Research complexity/importance	Less complex research project, given the field . The purpose of the study and analysis of results were not easily interpreted by the audience. The research is not likely to impact the field.	Less complex research project given the field . The purpose of the research and results were difficult to interpret by the general audience. Importance of the research was unclear.	Complex research project, given the field . The purpose of the study and results were easily interpreted by the audience. The research is reasonably important for the field.	Complex research project, given the field . The purpose and results of the study were clear. The research is important for the field.	Complex research project, given the field . The purpose was well defined. Research is very important and timely.	
Poster appearance/clarity	Not visually effective.	Poster was acceptable but needs work to improve visual appeal through better utilization of fonts, colors, headings, and white space.	Poster was adequate but could improve effectiveness through better use of space through font size, colors, headings, and white space.	Visually appealing and effective presentation. Easy to read. Utilized creativity in use of fonts, headings, colors, and white space.	An exceptional, eye-catching poster. Very creative in the presentation style.	
Quality of presentation	The presenter struggled to explain the poster or answer questions about the research.	Explanation of research was not clear. Information presented was somewhat confusing. Some questions not well answered.	Explanation of research was adequate, but the presentation of information could use refining. Some questions not well answered.	Explanation of research was strong. The presenter easily explained the research and answered questions.	The presentation style and responses to questions were exceptional.	

Judges must give a score for each category.

TOTAL

Add scores in right column to obtain total score. (Maximum total of 25)



PLEASE use these scores and the Research Presentation Judging Summary Sheet to determine winners in each presentation cohort.

Thank you.