

## Senior Project Research Paper Rubric

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes Test: You must receive all “yeses” for your paper to be scored. Any “no” will stop the process.**

YES	NO	BASIC REQUIREMENT
		Paper Typed
		Thesis clearly stated in intro and referenced in the conclusion
		Correct documentation style used in text (APA or MLA)
		Citing evident
		Minimum 5 sources
		References/ works cited page present and correctly formatted
		Paper written in 3 <sup>rd</sup> person and present tense when applicable
		Paper meets minimum length standard
		Paper reviewed for plagiarism

**5 – Clearly a knowledgeable, practiced, skilled pattern**

**4 – A knowledgeable, practiced, skilled pattern with few inconsistencies**

**3 – Evidence of a developing pattern**

**2 – Superficial, random, limited consistencies**

**1 – Unacceptable skill application**

### Content/Organization

Skill application demonstrated use which represents . . .	10	8	6	4	2
Introduction engaging and clearly defines thesis					
Thesis is challenging and focused					
Content connected to thesis is clarifying, exploring, explaining, developing					
Text Organization flows sensibly and smoothly –transition sentences					
Mixture of personal voice interwoven with research (interpretation)					
Conclusion thoughtful, engaging, clear, and goes beyond recap					

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### Application of Sources

Skill application demonstrated use which represents . . .	5	4	3	2	1
Research information appropriately documented					
Enough outside information to clearly represent a research process					
Information connects to the thesis					
Sources on Works Cited accurately match sources cited within the text					
Evidence of sorting and selecting appropriate/salient secondary sources					

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### Mechanics/Usage/Spelling/Format

Skill application demonstrated use which represents . . .	5	4	3	2	1
Pagination (top right heading on each page), 12 point font, Times New Roman, appropriate margins, and spacing					
Usage/Grammar, spelling, etc.					
Style / tone, proper tense, point of view, and formal language					

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**Total Score** \_\_\_\_\_ / 100