

Essay Evaluation

Student: _____ Overall Grade: _____

Overall

	Excellent	Good	Adequate	Marginal	Poor
Research					
Analysis					
Articulation					
Organization					
Originality					

Mechanics

	Excellent	Good	Adequate	Marginal	Poor
Spelling/Grammar					
Endnotes/Bibliography					

Style and Research

	Excellent	Good	Adequate	Marginal	Poor
Quality of writing					
Quantity of sources					
Quality of sources					
Effective use & interpretation of sources					

Thesis, Analysis and Organization

	Excellent	Good	Adequate	Marginal	Poor
Introduction: thesis statement					
Introduction: context and road map					
Demonstrates an understanding of the issues					
Main points used to support thesis					
Main points used to analyze, not just to narrate or story-tell					
Gives due consideration to different perspectives					
Sections are organized well; transitions are clear					
Paragraphs are well organized and of suitable length					
Conclusion: resolves analytical problem in the thesis statement					
Conclusion: summarizes paper's main points and provides context for the findings.					