

AP Seminar Individual Research Report (IRR) Rubric

Row	Proficiency	High	Points (Max)	
1	UNDERSTAND AND ANALYZE CONTEXT	<p>The report situates the student's investigation of the complexities of a problem or issue in research that draws upon a wide variety of appropriate sources. It makes clear the significance to a larger context.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6 Pts</p>	6	Widely researched report shows that the student understands a complex problem/issue, its currency & controversy, and its place in the "bigger picture".
2	UNDERSTAND AND ANALYZE ARGUMENT	<p>The report demonstrates an understanding of the reasoning and validity of the sources' arguments.* This can be evidenced by direct explanation or through purposeful use of the reasoning and conclusions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6 Pts</p>	6	Report shows student understands the viable and reasonable arguments presented by credible sources. This can be accomplished through direct explanation or logical use of information.
3	EVALUATE SOURCES AND EVIDENCE	<p>The report demonstrates evaluation of credibility of the sources and selection of relevant evidence from the sources. Both can be evidenced by direct explanation or through purposeful use.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6 Pts</p>	6	Report shows that student has evaluated sources for credibility and selected adequate and relevant evidence from these sources. This can be accomplished through direct explanation or logical use of information.
4	UNDERSTAND AND ANALYZE PERSPECTIVE	<p>The report discusses a range of perspectives and draws explicit and relevant connections among those perspectives.**</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6 Pts</p>	6	Draws clear and purposeful connections among a wide range of stakeholders, voices, and arguments.
5	APPLY CONVENTIONS	<p>The report attributes and accurately cites the sources used. The bibliography accurately references sources using a consistent style.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3 Pts</p>	3	Body of paper and references attribute and cite sources in consistent, exact, and academic format.
6	APPLY CONVENTIONS	<p>The report communicates clearly to the reader (although may not be free of errors in grammar and style). The written style is consistently appropriate for an academic audience.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3 Pts</p>	3	Professional, clear, and direct writing is aimed at an academic audience.