UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS THESIS EVALUATION RUBRIC

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Title of Thesis:  
Thesis Evaluator:  

RUBRIC FOR THE WRITTEN THESIS

1. Includes a précis or abstract.
   Needs Improvement □  Satisfactory □
   Abstract/précis written in technical language.  
   Incomplete description of project/written work.  
   Abstract/précis includes description of research problem/project, approach, process, and conclusions.  
   Easily understood by a general audience.

2. Identifies the issue or problem or creative challenge.
   Needs Improvement □  Satisfactory □
   Does not identify the issue or represents the issue inaccurately or inadequately.  
   Identifies and summarizes the project/research problem.  
   States project goals/objectives and hypothesis.

3. Includes a section on methodology/approach.
   Needs Improvement □  Satisfactory □
   Methodology/approach missing or incompletely/insufficiently detailed.  
   A methodology/approach was clearly delineated.  
   Awareness of the procedures of the discipline.

4. Examination of supporting evidence and body of knowledge is included.
   Needs Improvement □  Satisfactory □
   No evidential support for argument. Inadequate discussion of body of knowledge.  
   Does not distinguish between fact and opinion.  
   Discusses body of knowledge thoroughly. Infers appropriately from evidence.  
   Questions its accuracy and relevance.

5. Identifies conclusions, implications, and consequences.
   Needs Improvement □  Satisfactory □
   No conclusions, implications, and/or consequences are included.  
   Concludes by discussing the value of the project and its implications. Considers context and assumptions.

6. Reflects high quality writing.
   Needs Improvement □  Satisfactory □
   Numerous grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors.  
   Well-written and mechanically correct.

OVERALL, I WOULD RATE THIS WRITTEN THESIS:

□ Excellent  
□ Pass  
□ Needs revision in order to pass  
□ Fail

Comments: