

Component	Score	Criteria
1. State-of-the-Art Review	3 pts	Presents a clear, concise, and accurate summary of the topic's current state, highlighting key advancements that motivate the project.
	2 pts	The scope of the state-of-the art review is reasonably well-defined with minor gaps.
	1 pt	Provides a general overview but lacks depth or a strong connection to the project proposal.
	0 pts	Fails to provide the state-of-the art review.
2. Project Proposal	2 pts	Articulates a specific, well-defined problem highly relevant to applied machine learning in ECE, including a useful dataset and a plausible methodology.
	1 pt	The problem is well defined but either the dataset or the chosen methodology has severe problem.
	0 pts	No clear project is proposed, or the topic is out of scope.
3. Feasibility & Scope	1 pt	The proposed scope is realistic for a course project.
	0 pts	The scope is unfeasible (too ambitious or too simple) as presented.
4. Presentation & Communication	1 pt	Presentation is organized and clear, respects the 5-minute time limit, and uses effective visual aids.
	0 pts	Presentation is disorganized, significantly misses the time limit, or has ineffective visuals.
5. Q&A Session	1 pt	Demonstrates understanding by providing clear, confident, and accurate answers to questions.
	0 pts	Frequently misunderstands questions or is unable to provide coherent answers.