

Grading rubric for presentation of term papers

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|                            | <b>Exceeds Standards</b>  | <b>Meets Standards</b>   | <b>Standards Not Met</b>                                       |
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| <b>Presentation length</b> | Within time limits (12 min < $t$ < 15 min) (4 pts)                                  | Within a few minutes of the time limits ( $t$ < 8 min or $t$ > 12 min) (2 pts)                     | Very short ( $t$ < 9 min) or very long ( $t$ > 18 min) (0 pts) |
| <b>Motivation</b>          | Clearly motivated by Earth system processes (2 pts)                                 | Motivation is implied or not tightly connected to Earth system processes (1 pt)                    | No motivation / connection to course topics (0 pts)            |
| <b>Organization</b>        | Very clear, logical structure with strong arguments (4 pts)                         | Some parts of the presentation were disorganized; arguments don't build toward conclusions (2 pts) | Very disorganized and no clear arguments (0 pts)               |
| <b>Factually correct</b>   | All aspects of the presentation were factually correct (4 pts)                      | Some incorrect statements (2 pts)  | Numerous incorrect statements (0 pts)                          |
| <b>Summary</b>             | 2–3 key points are clearly articulated (2 pts)                                      | Too few or too many key points or not clearly articulated (1 pt)                                   | No summary or key points presented (0 pts)                     |
| <b>Design</b>              | Presentation visually appealing with minimal text; easy to understand (2 pts)       | Some slides are difficult to follow (1 pt)   | Most/all slides are difficult to understand (0 pts)            |
| <b>Voice</b>               | Spoken in a clear voice with confidence; did not read slides/notes verbatim (2 pts) | Struggled with some aspects of the presentation (1 pt)   | Not well-prepared or confident; read notes directly (0 pts)    |

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Comments: