COMP 7036 Research Proposal Marking Guide

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Front matter	Title page		1
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	Acknowledgments (optional)		
	Glossary (optional)		
		SUBTOTAL	5
Introduction	Background		3
	Problem statement		4
	Subproblems		4
	Hypotheses or research questions		7
	Delimitations		4
	Definition of terms		4
	Assumptions		7
	Importance of study		7
		SUBTOTAL	40
Lit review	Review describes previous work that makes the proposed research possible		3
	Review describes what areas still remain, and how that relates to the proposed research		3
	Review describes common methodology found in existing literature		3
	Relates previous work to proposed research		3
	Articles were synthesized, not just described		2
	Includes an introduction and concluding/summary paragraph		2
	Articles were grouped together to show trends, etc. in the literature		2
	Citations and proper formatting		1
	Suitable number of references		1
		SUBTOTAL	20
Methodology	Instruments	Includes primary sources of data	2
		Scale of measurement described and appropriate	5
		Instrument(s) are sufficiently valid	6
		Reliability and repeatability by others	6
	Sampling	Size	4
		Experimental design	4
		How data will be obtained	4
		Criteria of admissibility	4
	Analysis and statistical techniques		10
		SUBTOTAL	45

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Qualifications of the researcher(s) and appropriate scope			**10**
Outline of study	Steps to be taken		4
	Timeline		3
	Budget		3
		SUBTOTAL	**10**
Reasonably innovative idea			**10**
Writing	References		1
	Appendices (optional)		
	Formatting		7
	Spelling, grammar, etc.		12
	Style, simple language		12
	Sufficient detail		8
		SUBTOTAL	**40**
Presentation	Introduction and motivation to problem		5
	Problem/sub-problem statements and associated hypotheses		5
	Brief description of how you will collect/analyze the data		5
	Answers questions well		5
		SUBTOTAL	**20**
		TOTAL	**200**