

**USM DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
GRADING RUBRIC FOR ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY/LITERATURE REVIEW***

CRITERIA	Level of performance expected in order to achieve each ranking and its related points		
	EXEMPLARY (4 points)	ACCEPTABLE (2-3 points)	MARGINAL (0-1 points)
Appropriate use of sociological concepts	❖ You refer accurately and appropriately to relevant sociological concepts	❖ You refer to relevant sociological concepts but not always accurately or appropriately	❖ You don't refer to any relevant sociological concepts OR don't use them accurately or appropriately
Consistency with your research proposal	❖ The topics of the articles you selected are clearly related to your research proposal OR ❖ You explain clearly and convincingly how and why you made changes	❖ The topics of the articles you selected are not clearly related to your research proposal AND ❖ You haven't done an adequate job of explaining how or why you made changes	❖ The topics of the articles you chose are not at all related to your research proposal AND ❖ You haven't offered any explanation at all for the changes
Observance of guidelines	❖ Your paper completely follows the relevant guidelines in terms of organization and format	❖ Your paper doesn't completely follow the relevant guidelines in terms of organization and format	❖ Your paper doesn't follow the relevant guidelines at all in terms of organization and format
Directness and accuracy of article interpretation	❖ Your review suggests that you read and understood the articles completely before you wrote about them	❖ Your review suggests that you probably read, but only partially understood, the articles before you wrote about them	❖ Your review doesn't suggest that you read or understood the articles at all before you wrote about them
Writing style	❖ Your review shows no problems with spelling, grammar, syntax or usage ❖ Your references are correctly and completely cited	❖ Your review shows minor problems with spelling, grammar, syntax or usage ❖ Your references have missing or incomplete citations	❖ Your review shows significant problems with spelling, grammar, syntax or usage ❖ You haven't referred explicitly to references at all OR ❖ Your review appears to have borrowed heavily from other sources

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