Texas A&M International University "Write On, TAMIU!" NURSING Analytical Rubric

	Exemplary	Accomplished	Developing	Beginning	Unacceptable
	4	3	2	1	0
Focus	 Paper has an appropriate and clear topic Audience is assumed to have no knowledge of the topic Importance of the topic is stated and best evidence is used Clearly states purpose Limits scope of inquiry 	 Paper has an appropriate and clear topic Audience is assumed to have no knowledge of the topic Importance of the topic is stated but best evidence isn't used Purpose not clearly stated or not sufficiently limited in scope 	 Paper has an appropriate and clear topic Audience is not informed about the topic sufficient to understand the paper Importance of the topic is not clear, no evidence to support topic Purpose not clearly stated and not sufficiently limited in scope 	 Paper topic is not clear or is inappropriate Audience is not informed about the topic sufficient to understand the paper Importance of the topic is not stated Purpose not clearly stated 	 Paper topic is not clear or is inappropriate Reader is left wondering why the paper was written No obvious purpose for the paper Paper is not limited in scope
Organization & Development	 Abstract is clear and completely summarizes the paper contents Introduction defines the scope of the paper Builds from a global to a specific perspective Technical terms are explained Conclusions stem from the evidence developed in the paper Summary of the paper is concise APA formatting style and language conventions (use of gender neutral language and inclusive language) Appropriate use of paragraphs Headings are formatted correctly to guide the reader and conform to grading criteria 	 Abstract is clear and completely summarizes the paper contents Introduction defines the scope of the paper Builds from a global to a specific perspective Technical terms are explained Most conclusions stem from the evidence developed in the paper Summary of the paper is not complete or not concise APA formatting style and language conventions (use of gender neutral language and inclusive language) Appropriate use of paragraphs Headings guide the reader and conform to grading criteria and are mostly formatted correctly 	 Abstract is not clear or doesn't completely summarize the paper contents Introduction defines the scope of the paper Builds from a global to a specific perspective but not well done Technical terms are not explained Some conclusions stem from the evidence developed in the paper Summary of the paper is not complete or not concise APA formatting style and language conventions (use of gender neutral language and inclusive language) Appropriate use of paragraphs Headings guide the reader and conform to grading criteria but are not formatted correctly 	 Abstract is not clear and doesn't completely summarize the paper contents Introduction does not define the scope of the paper Builds from a global to a specific perspective but not well done Technical terms are not explained Very few conclusions do not stem from the evidence developed in the paper Summary of the paper is not complete and not concise Did not use consistent APA formatting style and language conventions ((title page, reference page, in text citations, second page formatting) Not enough paragraphs to delineate new ideas No headings 	 Abstract is not clear and doesn't completely summarize the paper contents or is not present Attempts to follow grading criteria but poorly organized with no introduction and conclusion or did not address grading criteria No APA formatting style and language conventions (title page, reference page, in text citations, second page formatting) Not enough paragraphs to delineate new ideas No headings

Style & Sentence Structure	 Direct style Parsimonious use of words Use of third person "Best words" are selected to clearly express ideas Few transitional words/phrases Passive voice for conclusions 	 Direct style Parsimonious use of words Use of third person "Best words" are selected to clearly express ideas most of the time Transitional words/phrases Conclusions asserted too vigorously or no conclusions 	 Direct style Parsimonious use of words Use of third person "Best words" are rarely selected to convey meaning, Transitional words/phrases No conclusions or incorrect conclusions 	 Too many words when fewer words would be clearer, passive language stye or unnecessary words that don't add to meaning "Best words" are not selected to convey meaning Does not come to any conclusions 	 Does not conform to common English language style or conventions in writing
Grammar & Mechanics	 Subject verb agreement Subject object agreement Passive voice for conclusions Seriation of lists is used as warranted and conforms to APA format Correct spelling 	 Subject verb agreement Subject object agreement Passive voice for conclusions Seriation of lists is used as warranted, but inconsistently Correct spelling 	 Usually subject verb agreement Usually subject object agreement Seriation of lists does not conform to format or is gratuitous in nature without adding to the content Correct spelling 	 No subject verb agreement No subject object agreement Correct spelling 	 No subject verb agreement No subject object agreement Incorrect spelling
Research	 All assertions are supported with best scholarship Best scholarship comes from current, peer reviewed sources on the topic and is correctly cited in the paper Scholarship is current for field and represents depth and breadth 	 All assertions are supported with scholarship Scholarship comes from current, peer reviewed sources on the topic and is correctly cited in the paper Scholarship is not current for field or lacks depth and breadth 	 All assertions are supported with scholarship Scholarship comes from peer reviewed sources on the topic and is correctly cited in the paper Scholarship is not current and lacks depth and breadth 	 No assertions are supported with scholarship Any scholarship used is not from current, peer reviewed sources on the topic and is not correctly cited in the paper 	 No use of credible scholarship or outside sources, paper is largely student's opinion

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