

NCAA Graduate Student Research Grant Scoring Rubric

IMPORTANT NOTE: NCAA Graduate Student Research Grants are intended to supporting research primarily in the **social and behavioral sciences**. The NCAA Research Committee invites research proposals examining the role of intercollegiate athletics in higher education and the college student-athlete psychosocial experience. *Graduate students whose research is nested within exercise science, physical health and safety are encouraged to explore funding opportunities through their academic and professional organizations.*

1. Is this proposal a good fit for the aims of the NCAA Graduate Student Research Grant as detailed above? If YES, please review. If NO, please explain your rationale.
2. Please use rubric below to score proposals.

Metric <i>(Proposal section where metric most likely addressed)</i>	Guiding questions	Points possible
Topic and research questions <i>(Abstract & Research Questions)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the topic of importance to the NCAA membership? Will the research questions foster a greater understanding of the topic or are they duplicative of previous studies? Is the purpose of this study clearly stated in the abstract? Are the research questions clearly defined? 	20 points
Methodology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is each research question answerable given the methods proposed? Is the sample clearly defined? Is the conceptual basis of the research well-developed, empirically sound and likely to enhance understanding? Is the researcher using the best measures available? 	40 points
Feasibility <i>(Methodology & Timeline)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the researcher have the necessary methodological expertise, mentoring support and/or prior experience to accomplish the work? Will the researcher be able to recruit desired subjects? Is the timeline feasible? 	20 points
Budget <i>(Budget & Budget Justification)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will the money help the graduate student work towards finalizing the research? Can the study be completed on the proposed budget? Are the financial resources indicated in the budget justification being used appropriately? 	10 points
Overall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How would you rate the overall quality and clarity of this proposal? 	10 points
Total		100 points