

CS MS Capstone Project Rubric Evaluation Form

Fill in the date of defense and indicate your role. Evaluate the student's presentation and written report according to the following Department of Computer Science M.S. program outcome number 3: Communicate effectively in a professional environment. Based on your own assessment of the importance of each category fill in the score in the evaluation column for the presentation, report and indicate the overall score for the presentation, report and final score.

Thesis/Project (circle) Date (month/year): _____ / _____

Your Role (circle): Committee Chair | Committee Reader | Committee Observer | Other Committee Member | Other Faculty Member

1. Difficulty of the Problem - This evaluation is based on the difficulty of the problem.

Difficulty Level of the Problem: __ high __ moderate __ low

2. Presentation - This evaluation is based on the student's oral presentation.

Topic	Proficient (4)	Acceptable (3)	Emerging (2)	Not Evident (1)	Evaluation (4 – 1)
Organization & Structure	Information presented clearly and logically	Some structure, but mediocre transitions between topics	No logical structure	Completely disorganized	
Content & Knowledge	At ease with content and can elaborate	Only rudimentary knowledge demonstrated	Little grasp of topic, difficulty answering questions	Absolutely no understanding of the problem	
Visual Aids	Text and diagrams reinforce the presentation	Weak support of the presentation; text or diagrams could be clearer	Marginal support	Could not spell or draw	
Contributions	Contributions presented and clearly explained	Contributions presented but mediocre explained	No original contributions	Nothing presented	
Delivery	Clear voice, steady rate, audience contact	Several mispronunciation; Unfocused, occasional audience contact	Significant delivery problems, little to no audience contact	Not comprehensible	

Overall Score for the Presentation (circle): 4 3 2 1

3. Report - This evaluation is based on the student's final written report.

Topic	Proficient (4)	Acceptable (3)	Emerging (2)	Not Evident (1)	Evaluation (4 – 1)
Organization & Structure	Information presented clearly and logically	Some structure, but overall not well organized	No logical structure	Completely unorganized	
Content & Knowledge	At ease with content and can elaborate.	Rudimentary knowledge demonstrated	Little grasp of topic	Absolutely no understanding of the problem	
Contributions	Contributions presented and clearly explained	Contributions presented, but not well explained	No original contributions presented	Not comprehensible	
Format & Aesthetics	Consistent formatting and styles following scientific conventions; well written report	Mostly consistent formatting and styles following scientific conventions, reasonably well written report	Sloppy; inconsistent fonts, figures, tables; poorly written report	Absolute chaos	

Overall Score for the Report (circle): 4 3 2 1

Overall Project Score (circle): 4 3 2 1