

The following ‘template’ is used to grade the final paper for **Qualitative Methods**

	Points Received	Points Possible	Criteria for specific category
1.		1.5	<u>Letter</u> to the Evaluator (~ three pages)
2.		.5	<u>Coversheet</u> (a) Project Title (b) Researchers’ Contact Information <u>Abstract</u> (~ 150 words) (c) Research Question (d) Sample & Methods (e) Theoretical Framework (f) Findings (g) Implications
3.		.5	<u>Introduction</u> (~ two pages) In about two pages: a. address “what is the research topic” (context) b. address “why is it important” c. identify the theoretical/framework d. explicitly state the research topic (specific)
4.		.5	Literature Review (~ four pages) Summarize and present a cohesive summary of books and articles related to the topic.
5.		.5	Theoretical Framework (~ two pages)
6.		.25	Contribution to the Field & Transition Paragraph (~ one page)
7.		1	Data & Methods (~ three pages) Specify & Justify
8.		1.75	Findings (~ five pages)
9.		2	Discussion/Conclusion (~ six pages) This section of the paper needs to (and not in this particular order) address all six areas delineated in class.
10		.5	<u>Citations/References</u> Are they systematically presented and formatted?
11.		1	<u>Discretionary</u> . Are there any areas or issues not described above, but need to be addressed before this paper is ready to be considered a graduate paper? (Note: points received in this category are at the sole discretion of the instructor and do not necessarily need justification.)
		10	Total number of points is 10 (or 100%).