GSS Research Award Rubric

Judging Criteria	1 - Did not meet expectations	2 - Somewhat met expectations	3 - Met expectations	4 - Somewhat exceeded expectations	5 - Far exceeded expectations
Introduction	No introduction, or introduction was poorly constructed and did not provide adequate background for the research.	Introduction provides some background information for the research, but is missing information vital to the judge's consideration	Introduction provides adequate background for consideration of the research	Introduction provides adequate background for consideration of the research in a concise manner.	Introduction provides adequate background for consideration of the research in a clear and concise manner.
Importance of study	The importance and purpose of the research is not listed, or is listed in such a way that it is noncredible	The importance and purpose of the research is listed, but does not meet the threshold of importance for consideration	The importance and purpose of the research is listed and meets the threshold of importance for consideration	The importance and purpose of research is listed in a clear way and meets the threshold for consideration	The importance and purpose of research is listed in a clear and concise way and meets the threshold for consideration
Methods	Methodology is not described	Methodology is described, but does not obviously measure what is described as the purpose of the research	Methodology is described clearly and measures what is described as the purpose of the research, threats to	Methodology is described clearly and measures what is described as the purpose of the research with minimal threats to	Methodology is described clearly and measures what is described as the purpose of the research with no obvious threats to

			validity notwithstanding	internal and external validity	internal or external validity
Data collection timeline	Data collection timeline was not clearly listed	Data collection timeline listed, but is not clear	Data collection timeline is clearly listed	Data collection timeline is clearly listed and the timeline is somewhat feasible	Data collection timeline is clearly listed and the timeline is obviously feasible
Expense item listed	Expense item not listed	-	-	-	Expense item listed
Approximate cost listed	Approximate cost is not listed	-	-	-	Approximate cost is listed
How will the item be utilized	Item utilization is not listed	Item utilization is not clear	Item utilization is understandable	Item utilization is clear and obviously reasonable	Item utilization is clear, obviously reasonable, and written concisely
Justification for the item	Justification of item is not listed	Item obviously not justified	Item seems to be justified, but there is reasonable doubt	Item seems justified without a reasonable doubt	Item is obviously justified
Critical or non- critical listed	Critical or non- critical not listed	-	-	-	Critical or non- critical listed
Rounded estimate, external funding, internal funding, and	Running cost not listed	-	-	-	Running cost listed

total estimate of requested funds listed					
Properly blinded	Proposal not properly blinded	-	-	-	Proposal properly blinded
Overall quality of CV	No CV included	CV is included	CV is included and is understandable	CV is included and clear	CV is included, clear, and matches with the subject matter of the research