Phys 280 RPPv2 rubric: **No hard copy submitted: -5 No writer’s memo: -10**

**RPPv2 submitted late: -15 No RPPv1 attached: -12**

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| **Features**: | **Description:** | **Range**: | **Comments on student paper for each feature (noting problems and strengths)**: |
| **Research question and thesis statement quality** | If RPPv1 was marked acceptable (PASS), research question and thesis statement are identical to RPPv1  If RPPv1 was marked unacceptable (HOLD), research question and thesis statement have been substantially revised and reflect the discussion between student and TA.   * Research question has a well-defined problem to investigate * Thesis statement appropriately answers the research question * Both are narrowed appropriately and have potential for technical and policy aspects | 15%  **High**  **Mid**  **Low** |  |
| **Quality of Introduction** | The thesis statement is clearly identifiable  The introduction properly reflects the research question  The introduction is narrowed appropriately  It has potential for both technical and policy aspects (no need for 50/50)  The introduction is appropriate for use in the research paper | 20%  **High**  **Mid**  **Low** |  |
| **Outline quality** | The outline reflects chosen role (political scientist vs engineer)  Sentence-type outline  Logical, clear, well formatted  Each bullet point is clearly linked to a source in the references section by having a citation after it.  Outline is extended from RPPv1, with at least 7 bullet points | 25%  **High**  **Mid**  **Low** |  |
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| **Appropriate references, annotated bibliography, and paper length** | At least 6 sources with at least one relevant book, chapter from a book, or peer-reviewed paper  No more than two assigned readings  No more than two newspaper articles (these only from high-quality papers)  Documents are from reputable sources and cited as such  Citations are in American Psychological Association (APA) style, as specified by [IJOIS](https://publish.illinois.edu/illinijournalofinternationalsecurity/submissions/style-guide-2/)  Proposal is 2-3 pages with additional separate page for references  Each reference is annotated with a 1-2 sentence description of how the reference is relevant and how it will be used in the research paper | 25%  **High**  **Mid**  **Low** |  |
| **Copy editing and use of standard language** | Accurate use of APA style for in-text references and reference list | 5%  **High**  **Mid**  **Low** |  |
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