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Ph.D. Research Design Seminar – Rubrics (5-Point Scale)

The Following are Rubrics to be followed for evaluation of Research Design Seminar.

S. No.	Assessment Criterion	5 – Excellent	4 – Very Good	3 – Good	2 – Satisfactory	1 – Needs Improvement
1	Research Problem Identification	Problem is highly relevant, specific, clear and significant	Problem is clear and relevant	Problem is adequately identified	Problem is broad or partially clear	Problem is unclear/not established
2	Preliminary Literature Review	Comprehensive, current and critically analyzed	Good coverage and analysis	Adequate literature coverage	Limited literature review	Very limited/inappropriate literature
3	Identification of Research Gap	Research gap is clearly and convincingly established	Gap is clearly identified	Gap is reasonably identified	Gap is weakly established	No clear research gap
4	Research Objectives	Objectives are precise, measurable and strongly aligned with the problem	Objectives are clear and aligned	Objectives are appropriate	Objectives need refinement	Objectives are unclear/inappropriate
5	Presentation and Q&A	Excellent structure, communication, confidence and scholarly defence	Very clear and confident	Clear with minor weaknesses	Some difficulty in presentation/Q &A	Poor presentation and unable to defend ideas

Scoring:

Maximum Score = 100

Average Score	Rating	Performance
4.50–5.00	5	Excellent
3.50–4.49	4	Very Good
2.50–3.49	3	Good
1.50–2.49	2	Satisfactory
1.00–1.49	1	Needs Improvement

Recommended First-Presentation Weightage

For a first Research Design Seminar, more importance is given to the research foundation:

1. Research Problem
2. Literature Review
3. Research Gap
4. Objectives
5. Presentation & Defence


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