

Proposal Author & Title:

Reader:

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**Part 1, Overall Evaluation:**

- **Draft Status:**
    - a complete draft, acceptable as a final draft
    - significant work, but not complete but deserves minor revisions
    - multiple problems obscure content and inhibit suggestions for improvement
  - **Impact:**
    - SOLD: the motivation, problem, context, methods, & success criteria are clear. I'm convinced of the worthiness of the venture and the author's imminent success in this endeavor.
    - Maybe if you told me more... : topic is identified, but other elements are vague or omitted.
    - Frightened: I don't understand enough to comment further.
  - **Section Structure:**
    - each section well structured, with an overview &/or connection to the project as appropriate. the structure emphasizes what's important. information appears in the appropriate sections. appropriate use of tables and figures.
    - overall structure is discernable, but deserves improvement
    - unclear structure in more than one section of the report or repeated organizational problems that interfere with the proposal's coherence.
  - **Paragraph Structure:**
    - each paragraph is unified around a single topic. topic sentences are apt. information order and connectivity succeed. not too long, not too short.
    - paragraphs are understandable, but occasional problems with structure and connectivity persist
    - repeated problems at the paragraph level interfere with my understanding of this proposal.
  - **Sentence Structure & Word Choice:**
    - grammar, word choice, verb tense, pronouns all flawless
    - some re-occurring problems that do not interfere
    - sentence and word level problems interfere with my understanding of this proposal.
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**Part 2, Proposal-specific Information:**

- Is the general problem clear?
  - Is the specific problem clear?
  - Is the motivation clear? Is the specific problem important?
  - Is the context clear? Is the relationship between the literature and the proposed project clear?
  - Does the solution constitute a well thought out plan?
  - Has the author demonstrated sufficient mastery of the subject matter to inspire confidence in his/her ability to complete this project?
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**Part 3, What needs the most work:**

- What parts of the draft that deserve further revision. What sort of revision is needed?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - What needs are not met by the text. As the reader, what else do you need to know to understand and evaluate this thesis project?
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