

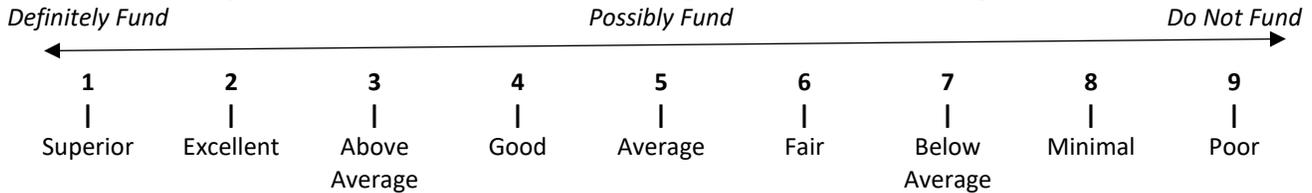
# SURF Grant Proposal Grading Criteria

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_ First-time mentor? \_\_\_\_\_

*--Scores for each criteria are on a 1-9 scale, 1 being the best score and 9 being the worst score--*



Scoring Criteria	Points
<b><u>Student's Academic Success:</u></b> GPA, Extracurricular Activities, Leadership, etc.	
<b><u>Qualifications of the Mentor and Research Team (if applicable):</u></b> Clear plan for support, research history, experience in the field of proposal, contributions to undergraduate research.	
<b><u>Innovation/Originality:</u></b> Generates new ideas and/or applies existing ideas in a new context.	
<b><u>Significance of the Study:</u></b> Outcomes are clearly proposed and Impact is anticipated. <b>STEM</b> – Addresses an area of importance to the discipline and shows potential to advance the science. <b>Non-STEM</b> - Expands knowledge of best/creative practices in the field, increases creative output.	
<b><u>Appropriateness of the methodology:</u></b> <b>STEM</b> - Research design, Sampling approach, Data collection protocol/plan, Data analysis procedure/plan, Protection of human subjects and/or plan for seeking IRB approval. <b>Non-STEM</b> – Preliminary Research showing selection and citation of primary and secondary sources, Hermeneutic framework, analytical approach is well defined or creative process and products are well planned/described.	
<b><u>Merit:</u></b> <b>STEM</b> - Utilizes established scientific principles, Demonstrates how scientific knowledge will be gained, Problem/topic being investigated is of value to the larger scientific community. <b>Non-STEM</b> – Uses best practices and innovative approaches in the field, betters the understanding of the human experience, benefits and engages the fields community.	
<b><u>Other Criteria:</u></b> Reference Letters, plan for dissemination, appropriate budget, feasibility of completing the project in projected timeframe, cohesiveness and coherency, clarity of writing	
<i>(Add all points together)</i> <b>Total Points</b>	

**Additional Comments (use additional page if needed):**