Solutions to Poverty Project Rubric

	Novice	Developing	Competent	Proficient
Introduction	1 point	2-3 points	4 points	5 points
 "Hook" attention Provides rationale (why the issue is important) Introduces Ecological Theory and makes a link from the topic to the theory. Note: This may be part of "rationale." Introduces the FRM perspective Includes effective thesis statement 	Much of the required information is missing.	Does not fully address all required information and/or addresses information in a way that is not fully clear. May not effectively engage the reader with a "hook" or provide clear thesis.	Includes all required information and is mostly effective in engaging the reader's attention, establishing the issue as important, connecting the topic to Ecological Theory, establishing a FRM perspective, and communicating a clear thesis. Occasionally information could be more compelling, clear or properly cited.	Includes all required information and is effective in engaging the reader's attention, establishing the issue as important, connecting the topic to Ecological Theory, establishing a FRM perspective, and communicating a clear thesis. Includes appropriate citations.
 Topic Related to Poverty (Problem Construction) Describe how the topic relates to poverty	1-6 points Much of the required information is missing and/or inadequately supported by research.	7-12 points Does not fully address all required information and/or addresses information in a way that is not fully clear. May not make a clear connection between the issue and poverty and/or to FRM concepts. May need some additional research support for claims.	13-18 points Includes all or most required information and mostly provides clear connections between the issue and poverty. Written from a FRM perspective, but may benefit from fuller development of concepts. Description may be a bit wordy or unclear in areas. Mostly well supported by research.	19-20 points Includes all required information that clearly connects the issue to poverty and is written from a FRM perspective. Well supported by research with appropriate citations.

Application of Ecological
Theory

- Summary of how the broader issue fits within the Ecological Model (written by class w/transition sentence by individual)
- Locates specific issue and potential solution within appropriate level/s of the model

Comments:

Proposed Solution

- Describes proposed solution to poverty
- Connects to specific system of the Ecological Model
- Written from a FRM perspective
- Supported by research

Comments:

Conclusion

- Summarize overall findings as they relate to the thesis
- Include clear reference to Ecological Theory

1-3 points

Much of the required information is missing.

4-6 points

Does not fully address all required information and/or it is unclear how the issue fits within the Ecological Model. Ecological Theory may be superficially applied or with some inaccuracies.

7-9 points

Includes all required information. For the most part, explicitly and logically locates the issue within the Ecological Model. Some areas where the application of Ecological Theory could be more developed.

10 points

Includes all required information. Explicitly and logically locates the issue within the Ecological Model.
Applied Ecological Theory with thoroughness and accuracy.

1-3 points

Much of the required information is missing.

4-6 points

Does not fully address all required information and/or the solution does not clearly connect to the Ecological Model, cited research, or come from a FRM perspective.

7-9 points

Includes all required information. For the most part, explicitly and logically connects to the Ecological Model, cited research, and comes from a FRM perspective. Occasionally there are gaps in how things connect or claims made that are not supported by research.

10 points

Includes all required information. Explicitly and logically connects to the Ecological Model, cited research, and comes from a FRM perspective. Includes appropriate citations.

1 point

Much of the required information is missing.

2-3 points

Does not fully address all required information and/or it is not clear how the summary connects to the thesis, Ecological

4 points

Includes all required information. It is mostly clear how the summary connects to the thesis, Ecological Theory, and comes from a FRM

5 points

Includes all required information. It is very clear how the summary connects to the thesis, Ecological Theory, and comes from a FRM

Written from a FRM perspectiveComments:		Theory, or comes from a FRM perspective.	perspective. Occasional gaps in how everything fits together.	perspective. Includes appropriate citations, if needed.
 References APA formatting of all references cited in paper. Comments: 	1 point No clear effort to cite in APA.	2-3 points APA citing is over 50% accurate so that there is evidence of effort to use APA but not good adherence to the guidelines.	4 points APA citing is 90% accurate both in-text and on the reference list.	5 points APA citing is 95% accurate both in-text and on the reference list.
Grammar & Usage	1 point	2-3 points	4 points	5 points
Comments:	Report is not well constructedpoor grammar, structure, usage that makes it impossible to effectively communicate the information. May not be organized around the thesis.	Report includes several errors in grammar, structure, and good English usage. Communication of information is compromised. May be only loosely organized around the thesis.	Report is reasonably well constructed, but contains minor errors. These may be distracting but do not compromise the communication of information. Mostly organized around the thesis.	Report is very well constructed, using proper language, cordiality, grammar, punctuation, etc. The paper is integrated around the thesis statement with topic sentences and content.
Total:	Comments:			

Solutions to Poverty Presentation Rubric

Criteria	Beginning	Developing	Accomplished	Exemplary	Total
Presentation	5 points	6-7 points	8-9 points	10 points	/10
Content (Group grade - instructor) • Engaging Intro w/ thesis • Relates to poverty • FRM perspective • Applied Ecological Theory • Proposed Solution • Conclusion • Research Based with Citations	Lack information needed to understand the topic; content is confusing or contains inaccuracies; may be missing or have underdeveloped components that are necessary for understanding	Include general information to give an understanding of the topic; content may contain some inaccuracies and/or information is not logically sequenced in places. Some components may need further development.	Include adequate information needed to give an understanding of the topic; content is mostly accurate and sequenced in a logical way for the most part. All components present and developed adequately.	Include information needed to give a thorough understanding of the topic; content is accurate and sequenced in a clear, logical way. All components present, developed fully, and connected.	
Presentation	5 points	6-7 points	8-9 points	10 points	/10
Relevance	Solution may not be reasonable,	Solution is partially reasonable and	Solution seems reasonable, based on	Solution seems reasonable, based on	710
(Group grade - professional)	practical, and/or based on research	practical, and/or may be inconsistently	research evidence and practical	research evidence and practical	
(Compagnate processing)	evidence. Students' description of	based on research evidence. Students'	considerations for the most part. Students	considerations. Students describe the	
	the population, problem, and	description of the population, problem,	describe the population, problem, and	population, problem, and solution in a way	
	solution may be insensitive to the	and solution may at times be	solution in a way that is mostly sensitive to	that is sensitive to individuals in poverty and	
	needs of individuals in poverty and	insensitive to the needs of individuals	individuals in poverty and their challenges.	their challenges.	
	their challenges.	in poverty and their challenges.			
Presentation	1 point	2-3 points	4 points	5 points	/5
Design	Generally lacks aesthetic appeal	Generally includes a mix of white	Effectively designed with visual appeal	Visually well designed, aesthetically pleasing	
(Visual)	and are text-heavy with little or no	space, visuals, and/or text but not	including white space, visuals, and minimal	with appropriate use of white space, visuals,	
(Group grade - Instructor)	visuals and/or exhibit an overuse of	consistently and/or some overuse of	text for the most part. Color and	and minimal text, on each slide. Color and	
	color or animations. Media, (e.g.,	color or animations. Media (e/g.,	animations are used appropriately. Media	animations are used judiciously. Media (e.g.	
Intro slide with title & names	images), if used, are rarely cited on	images), if used, may not be	(e.g., images), if used, are generally cited to	images), if used, are always cited on the slide	
Labeled slides for each	each slide. No theme is evident and the presentation appears disjointed	consistently cited to give proper attribution. Theme (e.g., template) is	give proper attribution. Theme (e.g., template) is evident in the presentation for	to give proper attribution. Theme (e.g., template) is evident throughout to produce a	
component of presentation Reference List	rather than unified and/or frequent	not consistently evident throughout	the most part to produce a cohesive	highly cohesive presentation. Free from	
Neierence List	written errors on the slides.	the presentation and/or some written	presentation and/or little written errors on	written errors on the slides.	
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Presentation	1 point	2-3 points	4 points	5 points	/5
Delivery (Group grade - Instructor)	Group members prepared partial notes and collaboration but pacing inconsistent or ineffective (too fast or too slow); lacks strong first and final sentences and/or clear transition sentences; collaboration among members was not tight (e.g. overlaps, gaps, or uncertainty about who was doing what).	Group members prepared partial notes and collaboration; occasionally pacing inconsistent or ineffective (too fast or too slow); lacks a few strong critical sentences – first sentence, last sentence, transitional sentences; occasionally a break down in collaboration among members (e.g. overlaps, gaps, or uncertainty about who was doing what).	Group members prepared effective notes and collaboration; pacing mostly consistent and effective with a couple lapses (too fast or too slow); includes strong first and final sentences but may one or two clear transition sentences; collaboration among members generally tight with few moments of ineffective teamwork (e.g. overlaps, gaps, or uncertainty about who was doing what).	Group members prepared effective notes and collaboration pacing is effective and consistent; includes strong first and final sentences and/or clear transition sentences; collaboration among members tight without question of who or what was next.	

Contribution to Group	1-2 points	3 points	4 points	5 points	/5
(Individual grade)	Group member rarely participated	Group member participated in the	Group member participated in the project	Group member participated fully in the	
	or contributed to the project	project but emphasis was in	and shared the workload; contributed to	project and shared the workload fairly;	
	towards achieving the project goals	completing own work; allowed others	the development of his/her share of slides;	contributed to the development of one or	
	and meeting the deadline; did not	to assume leadership and/or may have	worked towards achieving the project goals	more slides and assisted in editing others'	
	share workload fairly.	not shared workload fairly towards	and meeting the deadline.	slides to produce a polished presentation.	
		achieving the project goals and		Demonstrated leadership to facilitate and	
		meeting the deadline.		achieve the project goals and meet deadline.	
TOTAL					/35