Article Critique Rubric

Category	Poor (0 - 20)	Minimally acceptable (21-24)	Satisfactory (25-27)	Very Good (28 - 31)	Excellent (32 - 35)
Critique of article argument	Article's relevance is not clear; analysis of author(s)' argument is missing; no support for your evaluation; missing analysis of methodology and conclusions drawn	Relevant article; analysis of author(s)' argument is not very clear; very little support for your evaluation; little analysis of methodology and conclusions drawn	Relevant article; analysis of author(s)' argument is somewhat clear; some support for your evaluation; there is some analysis of methodology and conclusions drawn	Relevant article; analysis of author(s)' argument is clear; solid, specific support for your evaluation; analysis of methodology and conclusions drawn is clear	Relevant article; analysis of author(s)' argument is clear; solid, specific support for your evaluation; analysis of methodology and conclusions drawn is clear and well supported
	Poor (6)	Minimally acceptable (7)	Satisfactory (8)	Very Good (9)	Excellent (10)
Fit with existing research	Missing any information about how this fits with other relevant research (i.e., supports, contradicts, provides a different perspective or methodology)	Not clear but mentioned where this fits with other relevant research (i.e., supports, contradicts, provides a different perspective or methodology)	Somewhat clear where this fits with other relevant research (i.e., supports, contradicts, provides a different perspective or methodology)	Clear where this fits with other relevant research (i.e., supports, contradicts, provides a different perspective or methodology)	Very clear and well explained as to where this fits with other relevant research (i.e., supports, contradicts, provides a different perspective or methodology)
Peer Review	Article critique was missing or just an outline of thoughts; missed the peer review	Article critique was a not a first draft; comments to peers were not very helpful	Article critique was a fairly complete draft; offered some comments to peers	Article critique was a complete draft; offered helpful comments to peers	Article critique was a complete draft with formatting etc.; offered thoughtful and considered comments to peers
Writing/Organization	Not well organized; weak transitions; argument confusing to follow	Somewhat well organized or good transitions (not both); argument somewhat confused	Somewhat well organized with good transitions; argument mostly clear	Mostly well organized with good transitions; argument easily followed	Very well organized with solid transitions; argument easily followed
Editing/Formatting	Missing one or more of the following: Cover page, correct use of APA; under 3 or over 5 pp., not double-spaced, 1 inch margins, 12 point font, with many grammatical errors or typos	Cover page; mostly correct use of APA; double-spaced, 1 inch margins, 12 point font, with some grammatical errors or typos	Cover page; mostly correct use of APA; 3-5 pp., double-spaced, 1 inch margins, 12 point font, many grammatical errors or typos	Cover page; correct use of APA; 3-5 pp., 12 point font, some grammatical errors or typos	Cover page; correct use of APA; 3-5 pp., double- spaced, 1 inch margins, 12 point font, few grammatical errors or typos