

Rubric Dimensions	Capstone	Milestones	Milestones	Benchmark	No Evidence	Not Applicable
C2.1: Major Ideas and Theories Identify major ideas and theories and their application in the social sciences.	4 Adeptly identifies major ideas and theories and their application in the social sciences.	3 Identifies major ideas and theories and their application in the social sciences.	2 Struggles to identify major ideas, or theories or their application in the social sciences.	1 Struggles to identify any major ideas and theories, and their application in the social sciences.	0 No Evidence	NA Not Applicable
C2.2: Scientific Methodology Recognize how scientific methodology is used to study major areas of both personal and public life.	Adeptly recognizes how scientific methodology is used to study major areas of both personal and public life.	Recognizes how scientific methodology is used to study major areas of both personal and public life.	Shows some difficulty with recognizing how scientific methodology is used to study major areas of both personal and public life.	Shows great difficulty with recognizing how scientific methodology is used to study major areas of both personal and public life.	No Evidence	Not Applicable
C2.3: Implications Evaluate the implications of qualitative and quantitative methods and their results.	Elegantly evaluates the implications of qualitative and quantitative methods and their results.	Competently evaluates the implications of qualitative and quantitative methods and their results.	Shows some difficulty with evaluating the implications of qualitative and quantitative methods and their results.	Shows great difficulty with evaluating the implications of qualitative and quantitative methods and their results.	No Evidence	Not Applicable
C2.4: Interdisciplinarity Recognize the relationship between the social sciences and other academic disciplines	Adeptly recognizes the relationship between the social sciences and other academic disciplines.	Recognizes the relationship between the social sciences and other academic disciplines.	Shows some difficulty with recognizing the relationship between the social sciences and other academic disciplines.	Shows great difficulty with recognizing the relationship between the social sciences and other academic disciplines.	No Evidence	Not Applicable
C2.5: Research Findings Distinguish the use and misuse of research findings from the social sciences in public life.	Adeptly distinguishes the use and misuse of research findings from the social sciences in public life.	Distinguishes the use and misuse of research findings from the social sciences in public life.	Shows some difficulty with distinguishing the use and misuse of research findings from the social sciences in public life.	Shows great difficulty with distinguishing the use and misuse of research findings from the social sciences in public life.	No Evidence	Not Applicable

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