## **REU Poster Rubric: Poster Content and Design/Layout**

CRITERION	WELL DONE	POORLY DONE
<ul> <li>CONTENT (15 points)</li> <li>Introduction (3 points)</li> <li>Objective(s) (3 points)</li> <li>Methods (3 points)</li> <li>Results/Expected Results (3 points)</li> <li>Conclusions/Future Work (3 points)</li> <li>Scoring for each of the five sub sections listed above: 0 - missing 1 - poorly done 2 - acceptable 3 - well done</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Issue presented clearly and succinctly; no doubt as to why it is important. Big-picture research context clear. Appropriate reference to earlier work.</li> <li>Succinct description of research objective and how it relates to bigpicture context</li> <li>Detail of methods appropriate for type of project completed. Appropriate for question; appropriate design and analysis. Described clearly.</li> <li>Clear, concise, and relevant. "Just the facts;" on target.</li> <li>Conclusions are clear, relate back to big-picture context, and are supported by the results.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The explanation of importance of problem is unclear. Bigpicture research context not apparent</li> <li>Objective(s) and purpose of research not defined clearly</li> <li>Amount of methods inappropriate for type of project done. Description of methods not clear.</li> <li>Results presented are tangential to question asked. Overly detailed or not detailed enough; focus on minutiae.</li> <li>Conclusions do not follow from results; unrelated to objectives; presented in a confusing manner.</li> </ul>
GRAPHICS (3 points)  • Appropriate use and quality of Graphs/Charts, Tables, Sketches, Screen Shots and Photographs  Scoring:  1 – poorly done 2 – acceptable 3 – well done	<ul> <li>Graphics are appropriate to the work being presented.</li> <li>There are sufficient graphics in the poster in comparison to text.</li> <li>Graphics are appropriately sized for viewing at 6ft (2m).</li> <li>Graphics (esp. photos) are cited when necessary.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Graphics are irrelevant/not appropriate for the work being presented.</li> <li>Graphics are placed in the wrong sections.</li> <li>There are insufficient graphics in the poster in comparison to text.</li> <li>Graphics (esp. photos) are not cited when necessary.</li> </ul>
FLOW, BALANCE AND OVERALL APPEARANCE (5 points)  Scoring: 1 – poorly done 3 – acceptable 5 – well done	<ul> <li>Logical, intuitive progression of ideas with clear and direct reference to information on poster.</li> <li>Poster balances figures, text, white space; uncluttered background.         Blocks of text relatively small (e.g. &lt;100 words per block on poster).         Tasteful layout. Fonts readable at 6ft (2m) distant. Headings obvious, appropriate.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Poorly organized; ideas presented at random or haphazardly.</li> <li>Poster cluttered or unreadable from audience. Distracting background. Blocks of text too lengthy</li> </ul>
PRESENTATION AND QUESTIONS (5 points)  Scoring: 1 – poorly done 3 – acceptable 5 – well done	<ul> <li>Guides audience/viewer through data and results. Enthusiastic, animated. Eye contact with audience. Spoke loudly and at a reasonable pace. Appropriate attire. Did not read from script.</li> <li>Answers were direct, clear, ontarget, no-nonsense.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dull delivery. Spoke too softly or too quickly and without clear enunciation. Little eye contact with audience; faced poster continuously. Read from poster or paper.</li> <li>Answers were incorrect, evasive, defensive, and incoherent. No time left for questions (oral).</li> </ul>
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS (2 points)	<ul> <li>Funding agency and grant number acknowledged</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Funding agency and grant number missing</li> </ul>