Writer’s name:

Reviewer’s name:

**Prospectus Evaluation Rubric**

**TIPS FOR REVIEWING YOUR PEERS:**

**• Be kind.** Remember that the review process is designed so that the writer can learn from your comments and corrections. If you are too harsh with the way you review the piece of writing, it may be hard for the writer to hear your critique.

• **Read the document thoroughly and carefully.** Take your time reading. You may think a part is missing and commemnt without seeing that it is actually included later in the writing.

• **Make your comments count.** A simple comment like “good or bad job on your research question,” doesn’t teach the writer much about their abstract. Be specfic, like “I would have liked to read more about the impact of imperialism on Stoker.”

• **Turn it around.** There is always a positive way to say something, even if it needs improvement.

**PART ONE:** Please rate the following components that make up an abstract (one point each) and offer a brief comment.

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| Project Title: is it appropriateand informative? | Y/N |   |
| Selection of Materials: do thechoices have a clear rationalefor their selection? | /1 |  |
| Introduction: is a reason forpursuing the project statedclearly? | /1 |  |
| Research Question: is an argu-mentative/controversial questionclearly stated? | /1 |  |
| Methods/Observations: is a meth-odology presented along withsome initial observations? | /1 |  |
| Project Conclusions: is an initialhypothesis/direction for the argu-ment of the paper present? | /1 |  |
| Overall Rating: Is the project feasible and will it have pro-ductive and interesting results? | /5 |  |

**PART 2:** Circle any of the following that you think may need some improvement:

 Spelling Vocabulary Syntax Grammar/Punctuation Organization Conciseness

**PART 3:** Please give any overall comments or suggestions about the abstract. Are there any changes you would like to see? Do you have any general comments about the flow of the writing or the effectiveness in communicating the nature of the project?