2021 Student RPC Presentation Instructions

A short oral presentation (20 minutes) followed by questions from the RPC faculty committee on the presentation and the subject area. The research question should clearly be stated, and the presentation of the work described in the paper should reflect the student’s own understanding, not just a passive presentation of the work itself. The emphasis should be on conveying main concepts and key insights.

The largest portion of the exam is on the discussion following the presentation, covering field and background knowledge of the student.

The following format is recommended:

1) Outline (presentation title must be different from the paper title)
2) Introduction / purpose
   • Motivation and goals
   • Background information/Literature review
3) Assigned paper
   • Description of the work/idea
   • Qualitative analysis
   • Quantitative analysis
   • Results and conclusions
4) Critique of the work (pros and cons), proposed solutions
5) Mandatory future research direction must be at least 5 minutes
6) Bibliography and sources used

Students are encouraged to include several back up slides to explain anticipated questions