

Essay marking scheme

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C+

The submitted work suggests that the student made some effort to deal with the question but did not succeed; The text reveals a failure to understand core concepts related to the question and only partial familiarity with the assigned material; There is no attempt to draw any conclusion, or it is unrelated to the question.

B-

The submitted work is related to the question or research issue but the material presented is basic; Analyses presented are inadequate; The conclusions drawn are sketchy.

B

The submitted work addresses the question or research issue but lacks depth and/or evidence of an analytic approach; There is some coherence of structure; The work demonstrates basic familiarity with a range of relevant material or a good level of understanding of some material with important omissions; Analyses are appropriate and competent but limited; The conclusions drawn are appropriate but lack insight.

B+

The submitted work addresses the question or research issue without going beyond the core material; The structure is coherent; The work demonstrates familiarity with the relevant material; Analyses are appropriate and competent; The conclusions drawn are appropriate.

A-

The submitted work addresses the question or research issue in detail and shows evidence of a questioning and analytic approach; The structure is coherent and easy to follow; The work shows an ability to appreciate an extensive body of relevant knowledge and articulate key theories or concepts; The work demonstrates reading beyond the core material presented in lectures; The conclusions drawn are balanced and appropriate and reveal evidence of independent thought.

A

The submitted work fully explores the question or research issue and goes beyond what would be expected of something for A-; The work either shows evidence of the student's own insight and analysis or convincingly integrates material going beyond the core assigned reading; It would require few modifications to be of a publishable standard in a peer reviewed journal.