CSC 450, Senior Seminar, Fall 2025 Research Presentation Rubric

Your *research* presentation must describe an investigation that is centered around a specific hypothesis that you tested or an objective that you met by designing a method or model, collecting and analyzing data, and drawing conclusions using an appropriate and reproducible methodology. Your presentation must meet the standards of a scientific presentation and will be evaluated using the rubric below.

Your final presentation will be a poster presentation from 8-10:00 AM on Tuesday, December 9^{th} in the Betty Tipton Room of the Student Center.

A poster presentation communicates your research in a structured but less formal format than an oral presentation. Your poster must include the following sections: **Introduction, Methods, Results, Summary/Conclusions**, and **References**.

During a poster session, attendees are free to walk around and speak with presenters whose posters interest them. As the presenter, you should prepare a 5-7 minute overview that guides a viewer through the main points of your poster. You might begin by asking, "Would you like me to walk you through my poster?" If the viewer agrees, you can proceed with your presentation.

Unlike a scripted talk, a poster presentation is typically conversational. Viewers may interrupt with questions, and you should feel free to ask clarifying questions as well (for example, "Are you familiar with large language models?"). You can then adjust the level of background and detail that you give based on the viewer's background and interests.

Submitting and printing your poster.

The following must be done by Friday, December 5th by 3:00 PM:

- Submit your poster through Blackboard
- Submit your job to the copy center using the "Submit a copy job electronically to the copy center" link from https://www.easternct.edu/communications-marketing/services/copy-center.html.
 - o For date and time needed, put 3:00 PM on Monday, December 8th or earlier (see below)
 - Note that the copy center closes at 4:00 PM and you will need to pick up your poster Monday or earlier. The copy center needs 24 business hours to process your request (if you submit your poster by 3:00 PM Friday, then it will be ready by 3:00 PM Monday)
 - o For type of copies, select Plotter
 - The size is 48"L x 36"W
 - o For other special instructions, put "For Professor Dancik's class"
 - o For Delivery Method, you will need to pick up your poster from the copy center (you can be notified by phone or e-mail)
 - o Check the option to get an e-mail receipt of your response, and <u>forward this e-mail receipt to me.</u>

Poster Templates

It is recommended that you use the poster template posted on Blackboard or one of the poster templates available from https://www.easternct.edu/undergraduate-research/presentingpublishing-your-research/howtomakeaposter.html.

Final Presentation Rubric

Grade: 0%

Comments:

Title and Header / 10 points

• Contains a title of your project, the presenter's name and e-mail, your mentor's name and e-mail, and your affiliation (you should include me as the mentor)

Introduction / 20 points

- Background relevant to the project is clearly described
- The significance (importance) of your project is clearly stated
- The objective or hypothesis is clearly stated
- This section includes at least 3 references cited in IEEE format

Methods / 20 points

- The methodology used to carry out the project is described.
- References to previously used methods are included, if applicable.
- A link to your Github page is included

Results / 30 points

- This section contains <u>only</u> figures and/or tables with appropriate captions, but no other text
- A total of at least three figures and/or tables are included
- This is the most prominent part of your poster and should be visually appealing and readable

Summary / Conclusion / 10 points

- The major contributions, findings, and significance of the work are summarized.
- Limitations and possible extensions and future work are discussed.

References / 10 points

- A reference section is included on the bottom right corner of the poster, underneath the Summary or Conclusion section.
- References are in IEEE format
- The font size is 25 or smaller
- Note that this section is not in the poster templates

Additional Requirements

- Citations: References are cited using IEEE format
- Grammar and style: The presentation contains no spelling or grammatical mistakes. [up to 10-point deduction if not met]
- A link to your Github page is provided [up to 10-point deduction if not met]
- The poster is submitted to Blackboard and to the Copy Center by the deadline, and your e-mail receipt from the copy center is forwarded to me [20 point deduction if not met]
- Your poster is displayed by 8:10 AM on Tuesday, December 9th. [up to 10-point deduction if not met]
- You participate in the poster session (more details will be described later)