

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program Equipment Rubric

Project Title _____ **Reviewer:** _____ **Total Score:** _____

Standard	Metric	Max Score	Score
Overview	Provides a clear introductory statement on the requested equipment, and includes the total dollar amount.	5	
Scope	Motivates the unique discovery opportunity available to researchers including students with the addition of the requested equipment.	5	
Inventory	Tabulates purchases which includes item, description, vendor, cost, and delivery date.	5	
Research Goals	Articulates research goals made available by the equipment.	5	
Student Impact	Cites concurrent and anticipated undergraduate research projects that the requested equipment affords to students.	5	
Ancillary Lesson	A lesson utilizing the proposed research equipment and data will be developed for a larger student audience such as a science class or laboratory, and offered. Offering frequency and anticipated student impacts are estimated.	5	
Learning Outcomes	Lists learning outcomes made available to students with access to the equipment and data.	5	
Timeline	Includes a schedule for procuring, unpacking, set up, calibration, testing, use, and any anticipated maintenance dates.	5	
Budget	Documents equipment, hardware extensions and licensure expenses, and accounts for any budgetary shortfall.	5	
Matching	Identifies resources that will be leveraged to support the research capacities made available by the requested equipment.	5	
Sustainability	Includes the institution's plan to maintain the equipment and keep it operable for some number of years.	5	
Communication	Offers to broadcast the merits of the project to the campus and public in the form of a press release.	5	
Transdisciplinarity	Notes synergies the equipment sponsors beyond a single academic discipline and department.	5	
Bibliography	Catalogs primary sources referenced in the proposal.	5	
Professionalism	Proposal is presented in a clear and organized manner free of grammar or mechanical errors.	5	
Other	Notable and informative additions are presented.	5	

Evaluators are asked to score equipment proposals based on the metrics provided above with the maximum score of 5 points for each item. Proposals with total scores below 40 points will not be considered for funding.

COMMENTS: