Department of English
The University of Mississippi B.A. Assessment
Rubric for Scoring Written B.A. Research Paper: Place a score of 10-1 (Excellent to Poor) for each of the four categories and then total results.

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Excellent	Good	Poor	Score 10-1
Quality of Ideas **10-9** Well-defined argument, with strong supporting literary exegesis and textual evidence.	**Quality of Ideas** **8-6** Adequately defined topic and argument. Sufficient supporting evidence.	**Quality of Ideas** **5-1** Topic lacks definition. Weak supporting evidence.	**Quality of Ideas Score:**
Quality of Organization and Expression **10-9** Well-organized essay. Strong introduction and conclusion. Strong paragraph thesis statements that are fully developed and supported. Strong sense of audience and tone. Excellent grammar and usage.	**Quality of Organization and Expression** **8-6** Good introduction and conclusion. Good paragraph thesis statements that are fully developed and supported. Good sense of audience and tone. Good use of grammar with few weaknesses in punctuation, spelling, or proofreading.	**Quality of Organization and Expression** **5-1** Poor Introduction and conclusion. Poor paragraph thesis statements that are not fully developed and supported. Poor sense of audience and tone. Frequent errors in spelling, capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and usage.	**Quality of Organization and Expression Score:**
Quality of Research **10-9** Uses relevant literary/critical research. Sources are useful, essential, and well deployed both in terms of content and of style. MLA style perfect.	**Quality of Research** **8-6** Adequate literary research. Sources are mostly appropriate, helpful and well used. MLA style shows minor imperfections	**Quality of Research** **5-1** Insufficient literary/critical research. Sources listed but not used or not helpful. Major sources missing. Many errors in MLA format and works cited list.	**Quality of Research Score:**
			Overall Total:

Overall Scoring results: Excellent 30-27; Good 26-18; Poor 17-3