# Written Defense Scoring Rubric

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1. Were the questions and hypotheses clearly stated? \_\_\_\_\_\_
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contain significant flaws? \_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Were statistical analyses appropriate for the data and interpreted accurately? \_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Was the data clearly presented in tables or figures? \_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Did the author draw logical conclusions from the data? \_\_\_\_\_\_
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clear understanding of how the thesis increases understanding of the field? \_\_\_\_\_\_

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