

▼ Theoretical and Conceptual Framework

140 points

Criteria Description

Draft Theoretical and Conceptual Framework

5. 5: Excellent

140 points

A draft of the theoretical and conceptual framework section is thorough. Scholarly research is used for support and is current or seminal. The proposed theoretical and conceptual frameworks directly emerge from a synthesis of the cited literature. Argument is clear and convincing, presenting a persuasive claim in a distinctive and compelling manner.

4. 4: Good

127.4 points

A draft of the theoretical and conceptual framework section is thorough. The research used for support is current. There is a connection to the limitations or future study ideas from the cited literature. Argument shows logical progressions. Techniques of argumentation are evident. There is a smooth progression of claims from introduction to conclusion.

3. 3: Satisfactory

119 points

A draft of the theoretical and conceptual framework section is cursory. The research used for support is outdated. There is a vague connection to the limitations or future study ideas from the cited literature. Argument logically, but not thoroughly, supports the purpose. Sources used are credible. Introduction and conclusion bracket the thesis.

2. 2: Less Than Satisfactory

102.2 points

A draft of the theoretical and conceptual framework section is illogical or inaccurate. The proposed theoretical and conceptual framework do not emerge from a synthesis of the limitations or future study ideas from the cited literature. Argument lacks consistent unity. There are obvious flaws in the logic.

1. 1: Unsatisfactory

0 points

A draft of the theoretical and conceptual framework section is either missing or not evident.

Criteria Description

Revision of the Core Elements Table

5. 5: Excellent

40 points

A revision of the core elements table is given and now contains all of the required elements. The elements presented fully align with the problem space identified previously and clearly support the need for the study.

4. 4: Good

36.4 points

A revision of the core elements table is given and now contains most of the required elements. The elements presented reasonably align with the problem space identified previously and reasonably support the need for the study.

3. 3: Satisfactory

34 points

A revision of the core elements table is given and now contains several of the required elements. The elements presented loosely align with the problem space identified previously and remotely support the need for the study.

2. 2: Less Than Satisfactory

29.2 points

A revision of the core elements table is given, but the table remains incomplete, and components remain misaligned. Few of the required elements are presented. The elements presented do not align with the problem space identified previously and do not support the need for the study.

1. 1: Unsatisfactory

0 points

A revision of the core elements table is not presented.

Criteria Description

Mechanics of Writing

5. 5: Excellent

10 points

Writer is clearly in command of standard, written, academic English.

4. 4: Good

9.1 points

Prose is largely free of mechanical errors, although a few may be present. A variety of sentence structures and effective figures of speech are used.

3. 3: Satisfactory

8.5 points

Some mechanical errors or typos are present, but are not overly distracting to the reader. Correct sentence structure and audience-appropriate language are used.

2. 2: Less Than Satisfactory

7.3 points

Frequent and repetitive mechanical errors distract the reader. Inconsistencies in language choice (register), sentence structure, and/or word choice are present.

1. 1: Unsatisfactory

0 points

Mechanical errors are pervasive enough that they impede communication of meaning. Inappropriate word choice and/or sentence construction are used.

Criteria Description

APA Format

5. 5: Excellent	10 points
In-text citations and a reference page are complete and correct. The documentation of cited sources is free of error.	
4. 4: Good	9.1 points
Required format is used, but minor errors are present. Reference page is present and includes all cited sources. Documentation is appropriate and citation style is usually correct.	
3. 3: Satisfactory	8.5 points
Required format is generally correct. Reference page is included and lists sources used in the paper. Sources are appropriately documented though some errors are present.	
2. 2: Less Than Satisfactory	7.3 points
Required format elements are missing or incorrect. A lack of control with formatting is apparent. Reference page is present. However, in-text citations are inconsistently used.	
1. 1: Unsatisfactory	0 points
Required format is rarely followed correctly. No reference page is included. No in-text citations are used.	

Total 200 points