

## Assessment Structure - Legend

### 1) Major Criteria

- a) Research question, thesis/hypothesis (if applied)<sup>1</sup>
  - i) Relevancy, validity, formulation, clarity
  
- b) Theoretical/Conceptual Framework<sup>2</sup>
  - i) Relevancy, depth, clarity
  - ii) Operationalisation
  
- c) Analysis and Argument<sup>3</sup>
  - i) Analytical depth (vs. description)
  - ii) Linkage between theories/concepts and empirics
  - iii) Flow of the argument (argument logical, coherent)
  - iv) Overall focus – is the research question properly addressed

### 2) Minor Criteria

- a) Sources<sup>4</sup>
  - i) Relevancy, amount, distribution between theoretical/conceptual and empirical parts
  
- b) Writing Style
  - i) Academic style and grammar
  
- c) Formal Criteria
  - i) Length, formal requirements
  - ii) Layout

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<sup>1</sup> Missing research question or thesis means 0 points. For 100 % (10 points) the RQ/thesis has to be relevant, well-formulated, clear and valid

<sup>2</sup> Simple (sole) literature review means max 30 % for the category (10 points). For 100 % (30 points) the thesis has to provide relevant and relatively deep analytical framework (up to 20 points) and functional operationalisation (up to 10 points)

<sup>3</sup> The thesis can get up to 10 points for analytical dimension (measured in contrast to pure description), up to 10 points for linkage between theory and empirics, up to 10 points for argumentation (flow, critical reflection), and up to 10 points for the ability to properly address

<sup>4</sup> Sources criterion is among the minors here but stands for up to 10 points (which is 10 % of the overall grade)

## Assessment Structure - Table

Criteria	Definition	Maximum	Points
Major Criteria			
	Research question, thesis/hypothesis (if applied)	10	
	Theoretical/Conceptual Framework	30	
	Analysis and Argument	40	
<i>Total Major</i>		<i>80</i>	
Minor Criteria			
	Sources	10	
	Writing Style	5	
	Formal Criteria	5	
<i>Total Minor</i>		<i>20</i>	
TOTAL		<i>100</i>	

### Evaluation:

Major Criteria:

Minor Criteria (if needed):

### Grading:

**100 – 85      1**

**84 – 70        2**

**69 – 55        3**