

Written Communication Rubric

Tier Two # 4

Demonstrate written communication

	Superior / A	Excellent / B	Competent / C	Substandard / D,F	Score
	4	3	2	1	
Structure	Written work demonstrates sound organizational structures that employ smooth, consistent transitions along with clear, well supported evidence.	Written work demonstrates well handled and recognizable structures including transitions and cogent, convincing use of details and/or evidence.	Written work demonstrates simple recognizable structures but may fall short in transitions. Work shows comprehension of material but may not offer full analysis or use of evidence.	Written work demonstrates little clarity, coherence or use of supporting details or evidence.	
Content	Work demonstrates exceptional insight and connects distinct observations with larger issues or inferences. Shows both critical thinking and synthesis.	Work adheres to the task at hand; demonstrates critical thinking and analysis.	Work provides plausible and sufficient exploration of material or concept; demonstrates sufficient comprehension of material but has room for growth and insight.	Work fails to demonstrate comprehension of material. Work lacks completeness.	
Mechanics	Although not completely without error, work shows mastery of punctuation and grammar and is stylistically sophisticated.	Grammar and mechanics within the work are sound. Errors present do not suggest lack of understanding of the essentials of written communication.	Grammar, syntax, and punctuation are functional but may be awkward or occasionally faulty.	Work includes numerous distracting errors in grammar and mechanics.	