Sample Service Learning Reflection Paper Rubrics http://go.unlv.edu/service

Student:	Date:
Evaluator Namo:	

	1	2	3	4	5	Comments
Community Need	The nature of the service project and mission of the community agency is unclear.		Describes the service project but does not make a connection to the role of the agency in the community.		Able to describe the service project, mission of the community agency, and how the service project and/or agency benefits the community.	
Civic Engagement	Demonstrates limited awareness of the importance and purpose of civic engagement.		Expresses awareness of need for civic engagement but does not articulate the purpose or make the connection to own civic responsibility.		Expresses recognition of the value of participating in activities promoting service and social justice, and makes the connection between understanding own rights and responsibilities of living in a democratic society.	
Cultural Context	Does not identify reasons the service may be needed.		Describes the social, cultural, political, or economic issues contributing to the need for service in the community but only provides the community agency perspective.		Describes the social, cultural, political, or economic issues contributing to the need for service in the community. Acknowledges multiple perspectives, stakeholders, and/or competing needs.	
Critical Thinking	Accepts observations and ideas at face value. Opinions are stated without argument or support. Fails to identify issues and stakeholders.		States and begins to question personal assumptions. Tries to see and respond from different perspectives but without enhancing own perspective or without making connections.		Explicitly states how personal assumptions have been challenged and how new connections regarding the complexity of societal issues have emerged.	
Overall Structure, Mechanics, and Writing Style	Structure and content present an incoherent sense of beginning, middle, and end. Transitions are lacking or confusing. Grammar, spelling, mechanics, and punctuation suggest poor proof reading and/or underdeveloped writing skills.		Structure and content provide a clear sense of beginning, middle, and end. Transitions generally connect but may be unclear. Grammar, spelling, mechanics, punctuation have some errors but they do not confuse meaning.		Structure and content provide a clear sense of beginning, middle, and end. Transitions are distinctive and clear. Grammar, spelling, mechanics, and punctuation are practically flawless.	

Overall Comments: Total points: ____