Position Paper Rubric

Position papers will be graded based on 5 different criteria: Outline, Knowledge of Topic, Knowledge of Country, Course of Action, and References. Each category is worth 10 points for a total of 50 points per topic, 100 points for See the table below for exact grading guidelines. Input all your grades into the excel sheet. Make a new row for each new grading and put your name in the last column. I will go through after all grading has taken place and write in the comments on the papers, as well as average the scores together.

	Superior (4)	Good (3)	Adequate (2)	Poor (1)
Background	Detailed description of the topic, including dates and stakeholders Several facts/statistics Discusses all relevant UN documents and resolutions	Basic description of the topic, some dates and stakeholders Some facts/statistics Discusses some relevant UN documents and resolutions	Minimal description of the topic, without dates and stakeholders Few facts/statistics • Misses some key relevant UN documents and resolutions	Unclear or incorrect description of the topic, No facts/statistics No mention of relevant UN documents and resolutions
Policy	Detailed history of country with the issue and present position Several references to statements from appropriate officials Several quotes from relevant documents Several facts/statistic	Basic history of country with the issue and present position Some references to statements from appropriate officials Some quotes from relevant documents Some facts/statistics	Sparse history of country with the issue and present position Few references to statements from appropriate officials • Few quotes from relevant documents • Few facts/statistics	Incorrect or no history of country with the issue and present position No references to statements from appropriate officials No quotes from relevant documents Incorrect or no facts/ statistics
Solutions	Many present strategies that are working and failing Many previous strategies Multiple actionable measures for improvement Effective justification for suggestions	Some present strategies that are working and failing Some previous strategies One actionable measure for improvement Ineffective justification for suggestions	Misses key present strategies that are working and failing Misses key previous strategies Vague or general measures for improvement No justification for suggestions	No present strategies No previous strategies Implausible or no actionable measures for improvement
Format & Citations	No grammar, spelling, or punctuation mistakes Numerous and diverse citations from appropriate sources	Few grammar, spelling, or punctuation mistakes Citations from appropriate source	Many grammar, spelling, or punctuation mistakes One or two citations from sources that may not be appropriate	Illegible No citations

Outline Requirements:

- 12-point font
- Double spaced
- 1-2 pages per topic
- Works cited is not included in the page count
- Works cited in MLA format (they should be separated for each topic, but if they just have one works cited, I'm fine with that)
- Includes the correct heading of Country, Committee, Topic

References:

Points are all or nothing. If there are references, the delegate gets the full number of points.