**Feedback Criteria for the Black Hills Research Symposium**

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**Research** as it is used by BHRS is any systematic activity designed to produce new knowledge, including new ways of understanding and viewing the world. BHRS is an academically inclusive event that values the variety of methodologies human beings use to produce knowledge. Thus any of the following activities (and more) are included in our conceptualization of research:

* Natural science
* Social and behavioral science
* Mathematical science
* Literary works, including original written works and literary analysis
* Artworks, including visual, auditory, and performing arts

***IDENTIFICATION AND STATEMENT OF RESEARCH QUESTION***

Please provide qualitative feedback to the presenter on the identification and statement of the research question. Some questions to consider might be the following:

1. Is the research question, hypothesis, or creative objective of the presenter clearly stated?
2. Is the significance of this project clear?

***RESEARCH DESIGN AND METHODOLOGY***

Please provide qualitative feedback to the presenter on the research design and methodology. Some questions to consider might be the following:

1. Does the project conform to appropriate academic standards of the discipline?

***OUTCOMES, DISCUSSION, AND CONCLUSION***

Please provide qualitative feedback to the presenter on the research outcomes and conclusion of the presentation. Some questions to consider might be the following:

1. Is the interpretation of the results clearly supported by the evidence/data or other outcomes? Alternatively, does the project fulfill the scholar’s outlined creative objectives?

***SKILL IN COMMUNICATING AND PRESENTATION OF KNOWLEDGE***

Please provide qualitative feedback to the presenter on the communication of their research. Some questions to consider might be the following:

1. Does the presenter frame the importance of the project in a broader context?

***OTHER***

Please provide any other comments that could be helpful to the presenter.

1. Suggestions for improving the presentation or research?