

Formative Rubric (1)

Criteria	Ratings	
Scholarly Writing	Affirmed Writing is formal in language, avoiding colloquialisms, slang, and overly informal expressions.	Not Affirmed Writing includes colloquialisms, slang, and overly informal expressions.
Writing Mechanics	Affirmed Minor spelling, grammar, and/or punctuation errors present, and/or sentence structure lacks minor elements of professional writing, and/or paragraphs are consistently developed. (1-2 errors)	Not Affirmed Multiple spelling grammar and/or punctuation errors present and/or sentence structure does not meet professional writing standards, and/or paragraphs are minimally developed. (more than 2 errors)
Clarity of Content	Affirmed Writing demonstrates a strong connection between ideas, ensuring that the reader can follow the logical progression of the arguments.	Not Affirmed Writing lacks a connection between ideas, and there is no logical progression of the arguments.
All Aspects Addressed	Affirmed Writing addresses multiple relevant aspects of the topic with sufficient detail and analysis, providing a thorough understanding.	Not Affirmed Writing fails to address relevant aspects of the topic with insufficient detail or analysis.
APA Sources (when appropriate)	Affirmed Citations and references follow the APA style guide, with fewer than 2 errors.	Not Affirmed Citations and references are not included when appropriate or do not follow the appropriate APA style guide. There are more than 2 errors.