

# CS-E4000 Seminar in Computer Science **Spring 2021**

The seminar paper gives up to 25 points according to the evaluation criteria in the table below. Late submission (up to one week) gives a penalty (-3 points).

Seminar paper	0–1 point(s)	2 points	3 points	4 points	5 points
<b>Scope and goals</b>	Missing or not explicitly stated	Unclear, not matching the content	Clear enough but not convincing	Clear and convincing	Very clear and very well argued
<b>References</b>	Only a few, mostly provided by the tutor	Limited and not particularly relevant	Enough and relevant, even though some of low-quality	Many, relevant and mostly high-quality	Many, relevant, high-quality and recent
<b>Citations</b>	Inaccurate or not properly referenced	Rely on excessive quotations	Properly refer to existing work	Correctly pinpoint and summarize existing work	Precisely outline related work and support argumentation
<b>Contribution</b>	Content too short or largely based on a few references, minor independent input	Flawed technical discussion and (or) methodology, limited independent input	Correct content, sound methodology, independent input but limited original material or results	Correct and sound, discussed in-depth with some novelty and (or) original results	Correct, sound and comprehensive, with novel material or original results beyond the state of the art
<b>Clarity</b>	Incomplete or very difficult to read	Difficult to read, unclear structure, unsatisfactory English	Clear enough discussion and structure, acceptable English	Very clear discussion and structure, good English	Extremely clear discussion and structure, excellent English

Other course activities also affect the final number of points as detailed next.

Other aspects	Negative	Neutral	Positive
<b>Length of the seminar paper</b>	Too short or too long text, more than 2 pages of references (-2 points)	Between 10 and 12 pages excluding references, at most 2 pages for references (0 points)	–
<b>Opponent feedb.</b>	Inadequate, generic or short (-1 point)	Constructive and meaningful (0 points)	Constructive, detailed and insightful (1 point)
<b>Presentation</b>	Unorganized, unclear or not timely (-1 point)	Clear and timely (0 points)	Very clear and smooth, good visuals (1 point)
<b>Course feedback</b>	–	No course feedback returned (0 points)	Course feedback returned (1 point)

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