Rubric for Individual Final Report

Component	Sophisticated (grade 35-51 points)	Competent (grade 18-34 points)	Not Yet Complete (grade 0-17 points)
Selection and delineation of a concrete social problem and disadvantaged group, supported by relevant background information (15/51 points)	The writer provides excellent in-depth background information on the chosen social problem and the relevant disadvantaged group(s). The information is fully supported with illustrative examples from desk research or other means.	The writer provides good background information on the chosen social problem and the relevant disadvantaged group(s). The information is well supported with illustrative examples from desk research or other means.	The writer provides limited or superficial background information on the chosen social problem and the relevant disadvantaged group(s). The information is not well supported with illustrative examples from desk research or other means.
Focused analysis of the most important aspects of the problem on most prominent solutions to it, based on interviews with experts, archival materials and/or own experience (15/51 points)	The writer clearly focuses the analysis on one specific problem and on current solutions to it, both local and international. The writer provides thick summaries of 1-2 compelling insights on the social problem from interacting with experts, and/or from analyzing extensive archival data and/or from deep analysis of own experience with a problem. The summaries are fully supported with illustrative quotes from the interviews and/or archival data and/or detailed personal reflections. The writer appends the recordings, or transcripts, or extended notes of the interviews, and/or archival references in an Appendix. The writer gives a parsimonious yet expert summary of the main solutions employed to address the problem, and of their shortcomings.	The writer somewhat focuses the analysis on one specific problem and on current solutions to it, both local and international. The writer provides summaries of 1-2 insights on the social problem from interacting with experts, and/or from analyzing extensive archival data and/or from deep analysis of own experience with a problem. The summaries are somewhat supported with illustrative quotes data and/or detailed personal reflections. The writer appends most interview recordings, or transcripts, or extended notes of the interviews, and/or archival references in an Appendix. The writer gives a somewhat informative and comprehensive summary of the main solutions employed to address the problem, and of their shortcomings.	The writer does not sufficiently focus the analysis on one specific problem and on current solutions to it, both local and international. The writer does not focus on specific insights on the social problem from interacting with experts, and/or from analyzing extensive archival data and/or from deep analysis of own experience with a problem. The summaries are not supported with illustrative quotes data and/or detailed personal reflections. The writer does not append interview recordings, or transcripts, or extended notes of the interviews, and/or archival references in an Appendix. The writer gives a fragmented and/or limited summary of the main solutions employed to address the problem, and of their shortcomings.

Description and	The writer expertly leverages the insights	The writer leverages some of the insights	The writer doesn't leverage the insights
justification of the	gained from desk research, primary data,	gained from desk research, primary data,	gained from desk research, primary data,
proposed future actions	class materials and discussions, and/or	class materials and discussions, and/or	class materials and discussions, and/or
that you could	individual reflections to develop a plan for	individual reflections to develop a sensible	individual reflections to develop a plan for
undertake to address	addressing the social problem and provides	plan for addressing the social problem. The	addressing the social problem. The plan's
the social problem and	an excellent argumentation of the plan.	plan consists of steps with expected	steps and expected outcomes are unclear.
overcome obstacles	The plan consists of specific steps with	outcomes. The writer has somewhat	The writer has not sufficiently considered
(15/51 points)	expected outcomes. The writer has	considered possible challenges in	possible challenges in implementing the
	considered highly relevant possible	implementing the plan and possible	plan and possible contingency plans.
	challenges in implementing the plan and	contingency plans.	
	suggests possible contingency plans.		
Reader-friendly	The report is focused, well-structured, and	The report is somewhat focused, well-	The report is not very focused, well-
composition, including	easy to read. The narrative is internally	structured, and easy to read. The narrative	structured, or easy to read. The narrative is
writing style, flow of	consistent, with well-organized evidence	is mostly internally consistent. It has some	not internally consistent. It has many
arguments and	and smooth transitions. It is largely free of	spelling or grammar mistakes. It is not too	spelling or grammar mistakes. It far
structure of the plan	spelling or grammar mistakes. It adheres to	far over the four-page limit for the main	exceeds the four-page limit for the main
(6/51 points)	the four-page limit for the main text. It	text. It applies a referencing system. The	text. It does not use a referencing system.
	accurately follows and applies the correct	Appendix is comprehensive.	The Appendix is not very comprehensive.
	referencing system. The Appendix is		
	presented very coherently.		