

	Criteria	Subcategory	Description
Pre	Proposal (10 pts)	Topic Description (5 pts)	Determine the country, time period, and model.
		Data Description (5 pts)	Explain how to get data for each of the inputs by: 1. noting the data source if the data is available 2. noting how to deal with unavailable data/ parameters
1	Basic Requirements (10 pts)	APA Format (5 pts)	Make sure to follow proper APA formatting for the paper, especially the citations page. (Note: A cover page is not required)
		Page Length / Writing (5 pts)	Adhere to the page limit of 10-12 pages and ensure that your writing is clear and error-free.
2	Major Elements (40 pts)	Abstract, Intro, and Conclusion (10 pts)	1. The abstract should provide a good high-level summary of the question and the key insights. 2. The introduction should include a good background introduction and a good outline of the paper. 3. The conclusion should be succinct and provide key takeaways.
		Theory, Model, and Equations (20 pts)	1. Demonstrate a good understanding of how the model works. 2. Explain the technical details of the model correctly. 3. Ensure equations are labeled and typed correctly, etc.
		References and Citations (10 pts)	Ensure all data sources, including any course material, are properly cited using APA format (this includes in-text citations and the bibliography).
3	Analysis & Discussion (40 pts)	Data Description & Processing (10 pts)	Describe the process of locating, cleaning, and manipulating the raw data that was used in your model. This should include a discussion of any calculations or estimates that were made, along with any changes that were needed to ensure consistency with units, etc.
		Modeling and Analysis (10 pts)	Ensure the model is used to accurately and reasonably fit the data, and that estimates for shock sequences are reasonable and accompanied by a brief explanation of the intuition behind them.
		Figures and Exhibits (10 pts)	Ensure that all figures are clearly numbered with a descriptive caption, and contain the necessary basic info (title, axis labels, units, etc.). Also ensure that figures support the analysis and contain relevant information.
		Discussion – Macro Phenomenon (10 pts)	1. Provide some basis for your estimated shocks along with some historical context for the events that occurred in your country of choice and for the corresponding event and country in the problem set (WWII Germany for Solow-Swan, US Volcker Disinflation for MP). 2. Discuss the findings in your analysis of both events, and compare and contrast the two in terms of their shocks, recovery, etc.