

Grading Rubric for Chapter 3: Methodology

Introductory matter						
Introduction summarizes research purpose and major areas of the chapter.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Research design is described.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Research design follows logically from problem statement, and is defended as such.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Data collection and instrumentation						
The population is defined and defended.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
The sampling procedure and data collection procedure is described.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Participant eligibility requirements and measures for participants rights are described.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Weaknesses and scope of sampling procedure and/or data collection procedure are described.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Instrument and/or intervention is described and defended.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Weaknesses in instrument is described.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Variables and dataset to be used are described and defended.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Methodology						
Statistical or qualitative methodology is (correctly) described.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Statistical or qualitative methodology is (logically) defended.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Assumptions (correct ones) behind methodology are described and defended.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Statistical hypotheses are clearly described, explained how it relates to big question.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Other						
Tone is consistently professional, sentences are well phrased and flow smoothly, word choice is appropriate and accurate, and writing is free of errors.	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Ideas flow smoothly, ideas are not unnecessarily repeated, all ideas relate to the thesis statement (no unnecessary ideas).	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
APA Style is applied correctly	5	4	3	2	1	N/A