

RUBRIC: Guy Berst Memorial Training Award for Advancing Scientific Training

First page to be completed by an employee of the MCW School of Graduate Studies. The de-identified application along with this page will be provided to review committee with the rubric table.

Deidentified Candidate ID:

Name of Program:

Year in Program:

Type of Off-Site Training:

Are the training dates within the appropriate semester of travel?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is the candidate in good standing with the MCW School of Graduate Studies?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is the candidate enrolled full-time at MCW for the majority of the next semester?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the candidate provided evidence of acceptance to an Off-Site Training?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the candidate completed the requested essay in 1000 words or less?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If all previous answers are “yes”, proceed. Otherwise, this applicant is not eligible for the award.

Has the student received this award in the past?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If all previous answer is “no”, proceed. Otherwise, this applicant is not eligible for the award.

Has the student applied for any other awards? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Would this \$500 award cover more than 25% of the estimated total cost? ☐ Yes ☐ No

The rubric table will be completed by each member of the review committee and sent to the chair of the committee to calculate results. The Candidate IDs will be shared with the School of Graduate Studies for award disbursement.

Criteria	Excellent (3 pts)	Good (2 pts)	Fair (1 pt)	Poor (0 pts)	Score
Training Reputation	Training is highly competitive or very niche and well-reviewed. Leading experts in the field will teach trainees.	Training is somewhat competitive, covers a range of topics related to research, and is well reviewed.	Training is somewhat competitive, covers a wide range of topics, some related to research, and is well reviewed.	Training is available to all who apply, covers a wide range of topics, some related to research.	
Deliverables	This event provides training not available at MCW <u>AND</u> has a concrete, feasible deliverable.	This event provides training not available at MCW, but the deliverables are not clearly explained.	This training could be done at MCW but the deliverables are concrete and feasible.	No mention of deliverables	
Scientific Training	Clearly defines the scientific area of the training event and convincingly demonstrates its direct connection to the applicant's thesis project.	Identifies the training's focus area but the connection to the thesis project is underdeveloped.	Training area mentioned but its relevance to the thesis project is unclear.	No mention of the training's scientific/research focus or its connection to the thesis project.	
Essay Quality (Overall)	Essay is well-written and is 1000 words or less. Clear organization and strong grammar are evident.	Essay contains minor grammatical errors.	Essay lacks organization and/or contains grammatical errors that affect clarity.	Essay is poorly organized, exceeds word limit, or contains significant grammatical errors that hinder understanding.	
Total:					/ 12

Additional Notes: