

**Outstanding Master's Student Project Award  
Nomination and Evaluation Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in Higher Education: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of Evaluation (circle one):      adviser              department chair              external evaluator

**Directions**

Please objectively evaluate the work nominated for the Outstanding Graduate Project Award. Send your evaluation directly to The Graduate School, attention Graduate Award Committee (Cleveland Hall 204, 1300 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14222-1095). We encourage you to add any comments in support of this work in the space provided on this form.

Please circle your response for each of the following statements.

**Award Criteria**

1. **Originality of work:** The project addresses a unique question or issue in the respective field of study.

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree

2. **Significance of the subject or problem addressed:** The area addressed by the project is significant to the field or profession.

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree

3. **Appropriateness of the approach:** The approach taken in the project is appropriate given the problem posed.

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree

4. **Literature Synthesis:** Student engaged significantly with the literature to support and provided context for the work and was appropriate for the field of study.

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree

5. **Soundness of the conclusions and interpretations:** The conclusions, interpretations, and implications are appropriate given the findings of the project.

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree

6. **Best Practices:** The project exemplifies a best practice of the discipline.

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree

