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Evaluation

Each of the sections below is evaluated on the scale of 1 (passable) - 7 (excellent). Each numeral grade may be specified in writing (this is not compulsory). The proposed overall grade and the importance of different elements must be justified in writing at the end of the form. (Section 8, compulsory).

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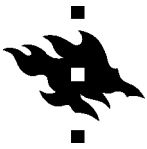
1) Subject of research

the social importance of the subject, need for scientific research, grounds for choosing this subject and for defining it within these limits

Circle the appropriate choice: 1 (passable) ---- 7 (excellent)

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Justifications



2) Problem formulation

grounds for problem formulation and defining the subject matter, presenting the study question and clarity of goals

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Justifications

3) Theoretical frame of reference and use of literature

theoretical introduction to the problem studied, knowledge of and familiarity with research in the field, variety and relevance of research literature

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Justifications

4) Material suitability for the problem studied, grounds for choosing methods used in collecting material and the extensiveness and structure of material

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Justifications

5) Analysis

grounds for choosing methods, presentation and command of methods, consistency, accuracy and depth of analysis, manner of presenting the results of analysis

Circle the appropriate choice: 1 (passable) ---- 7 (excellent)

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Justifications
