Ethics & Medical Research

Analytic Essay #1: *Grading Sheet*

Student: Grade:

Grader:

	Excellent	Satisfactory	Mediocre	Unacceptable
Structure/Organization				
Does the paper follow the "General Technical Requirements for Formatting Papers"?	5	4	2	0
Does it have a proper introduction as specified by the assignment?	3	2	1	0
Does it have a proper conclusion as specified by the assignment?	3	2	1	0
Does its organization and use of language convey the paper's ideas in a clear and transparent way?	10	8	4	0
Content				
Does the paper clearly present the main thesis or conclusion it intends to defend?	5	4	2	0
Does it clearly provide any necessary background information for understanding its argument?	10	8	4	0
Does the paper present a plausible interpretation or accurate description of that background material?	20	16	8	0
Does it clearly present the premises or reasons in support of its main thesis or conclusion?	20	16	8	0
Does it clearly explain why these premises or reasons are plausible, compelling, and difficult to deny?	30	24	12	0
Does it clearly and persuasively explain the inferences used to show how the premises are supposed to entail the main thesis or conclusion?	20	16	8	0
Does it provide examples to help clarify its main points?	10	8	4	0
Does it remain focused on defending its main thesis or conclusion without being distracted by inessential details?	10	8	4	0
Does it provide a generally compelling and convincing defense of its main thesis or conclusion?	10	8	4	0
Overall, does the paper show adroit skill at presenting and defending its main thesis or conclusion to the reader?	5	4	2	0

General Comments