

Projects guide

For use from September 2014/January 2015

Community project assessment criteria: Years 3 or 4

Criterion A: Investigating

Maximum: 8

In the community project, students should be able to:

- i. define a goal to address a need within a community, based on personal interests
- ii. identify prior learning and subject-specific knowledge relevant to the project
- iii. demonstrate research skills.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	Students do not achieve a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	Students: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. state a goal to address a need within a community, based on personal interests, but this may be limited in depth or accessibility ii. identify prior learning and subject-specific knowledge, but this may be limited in occurrence or relevance iii. demonstrate limited research skills.
3–4	Students: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. outline an adequate goal to address a need within a community, based on personal interests ii. identify basic prior learning and subject-specific knowledge relevant to some areas of the project iii. demonstrate adequate research skills.
5–6	Students: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. define a clear and challenging goal to address a need within a community, based on personal interests ii. identify prior learning and subject-specific knowledge generally relevant to the project iii. demonstrate substantial research skills.
7–8	Students: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. define a clear and highly challenging goal to address a need within a community, based on personal interests ii. identify prior learning and subject-specific knowledge that is consistently highly relevant to the project iii. demonstrate excellent research skills.

Criterion B: Planning

Maximum: 8

In the community project, students should be able to:

- i. develop a proposal for action to serve the need in the community
- ii. plan and record the development process of the project
- iii. demonstrate self-management skills.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	Students do not achieve a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. develop a limited proposal for action to serve the need in the community ii. present a limited or partial plan and record of the development process of the project iii. demonstrate limited self-management skills.
3–4	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. develop an adequate proposal for action to serve the need in the community ii. present an adequate plan and record of the development process of the project iii. demonstrate adequate self-management skills.
5–6	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. develop a suitable proposal for action to serve the need in the community ii. present a substantial plan and record of the development process of the project iii. demonstrate substantial self-management skills.
7–8	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. develop a detailed, appropriate and thoughtful proposal for action to serve the need in the community ii. present a detailed and accurate plan and record of the development process of the project iii. demonstrate excellent self-management skills.

Criterion C: Taking action

Maximum: 8

In the community project, students should be able to:

- i. demonstrate service as action as a result of the project
- ii. demonstrate thinking skills
- iii. demonstrate communication and social skills.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	Students do not achieve a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. demonstrate limited service as action as a result of the project ii. demonstrate limited thinking skills iii. demonstrate limited communication and social skills.
3–4	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. demonstrate adequate service as action as a result of the project ii. demonstrate adequate thinking skills iii. demonstrate adequate communication and social skills.
5–6	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. demonstrate substantial service as action as a result of the project ii. demonstrate substantial thinking skills iii. demonstrate substantial communication and social skills.
7–8	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. demonstrate excellent service as action as a result of the project ii. demonstrate excellent thinking skills iii. demonstrate excellent communication and social skills.

Criterion D: Reflecting

Maximum: 8

In the community project, students should be able to:

- i. evaluate the quality of the service as action against the proposal
- ii. reflect on how completing the project has extended their knowledge and understanding of service learning
- iii. reflect on their development of ATL skills.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	Students do not achieve a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. present a limited evaluation of the quality of the service as action against the proposal ii. present limited reflections on how completing the project has extended their knowledge and understanding of service learning iii. present limited reflections on their development of ATL skills.
3–4	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. present an adequate evaluation of the quality of the service as action against the proposal ii. present adequate reflections on how completing the project has extended their knowledge and understanding of service learning iii. present adequate reflections on their development of ATL skills.
5–6	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. present a substantial evaluation of the quality of the service as action against the proposal ii. present substantial reflections on how completing the project has extended their knowledge and understanding of service learning iii. present substantial reflections on their development of ATL skills.
7–8	Students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. present an excellent evaluation of the quality of the service as action against the proposal ii. present excellent reflections on how completing the project has extended their knowledge and understanding of service learning iii. present detailed and accurate reflections on their development of ATL skills.