

PADP 8680: Advanced Policy Analysis

Assignment notes for Peer Review of Policy Tool Report Draft

(2-4 pages, double-spaced) (Aim for no more than 2!)

Submit on course @eLearning page on April 14th by 3:30pm

For this assignment you will provide feedback to a classmate on their policy tool report. I will email you a copy of a classmate's report for review. Please assess:

1. **Adherence to assignment rubric:** Does the proposal fit with the overall intent for the assignment, have appropriate structure, and meet formatting requirements (http://spia.uga.edu/faculty_pages/tyler.scott/teaching/PADP8680_Spring2016_PolicyAnalysisTwo/Assignments/PADP.8680.Assignment.Report.Draft.pdf)?
2. **Overall strengths and weaknesses:** What are the strengths of the proposal? Does the proposal reflect any unusual strength (e.g., unusually strong methods or an exceptionally strong group of contributors)? What are its weaknesses? Does the proposal contain any fatal flaws? Are they remediable?
3. **Section Specifics:** For each section (II III, and IV), are there any more specific strengths or weaknesses? How could each section be improved?
4. **Other comments:** Please list here any specific comments not covered above.

In addition, to assessing general content, you should also review the writing itself. A good proposal will:

- Avoid Jargon.
- Define all acronyms.
- Not use the first person.
- Have no run-on sentences.
- Use concise language.
- Be free from typos and grammatical errors.
- Avoid metaphors or flowery language.
- Not make emotional appeals. A good case is built on research and reason.
- Have sections that logically follow from previous sections.
- Support all facts, even the seemingly trivial ones. The reader should be able to answer the "How do you know?" question for any assertion made.