**PADM 550 – Synthesis Paper Graduate Rubric**

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| **Criteria** | **Levels of Achievement** | | | | | |
| **Content**  **(70%)** | **Advanced**  **92-100%** | **Proficient**  **84-91%** | **Developing**  **1-83%** | **Not Present** | **Total** |
| **Question 1:** | **13.5 to 14.5 points:**  Thoroughly explains the Biblical concepts as they apply to the role of government. The question is answered with each subcomponent of the question being addressed.  Work demonstrates a detailed understanding of ideas from required sources. | **12 to 13 points:**  General explanation of the Biblical concepts as they apply to the role of government. The question is answered with each subcomponent of the question being addressed, but not explained in detail.  Work demonstrates a general understanding of ideas from required sources. | **1 to 11.5 points:**  Limited discussion of the Biblical concepts as they apply to the role of government. The question is not answered thoroughly and each subcomponent of the question is not addressed.  Work demonstrates an inadequate understanding of ideas from required sources. | **0 points**  Not present |  |
| **Question 2:** | **13 to 14 points:**  Policy issue and the application of the Biblical concepts to understand government response. The question is answered thoroughly with each subcomponent of the question being addressed with examples provided.  Work demonstrates a detailed understanding of ideas from required sources. | **11.5 to 12.5 points:**  Policy issue and the application of the Biblical concepts to understand government response. The question is generally answered with each subcomponent of the question being addressed but not elaborated upon or examples given.  Work demonstrates a general understanding of ideas from required sources. | **1 to 11 points:**  Policy issue and the application of the Biblical concepts to understand government response. The question is answered not answered thoroughly, and each subcomponent of the question lacks discussion, explanation, and examples.  Work demonstrates an inadequate understanding of ideas from required sources. | **0 points**  Not present |  |
| **Question 3:** | **11 to 12 points:**  Identification of key Constitutional powers for each branch of government. The question is answered thoroughly with each branch identified, specific powers discussed, and interaction of the branch powers discussed.  Work demonstrates a detailed understanding of ideas from required sources. | **10 to 10.5 points:**  Identification of key Constitutional powers for each branch of government. The question is generally answered with each branch identified, specific powers identified but not discussed, and interaction of powers not addressed.  Work demonstrates a general understanding of ideas from required sources. | **1 to 9.5 points:**  Identification of key Constitutional powers for each branch of government. The question does not address all branches of government, specific powers, or the interaction of those powers.  Work demonstrates an inadequate understanding of ideas from required sources. | **0 points**  Not present |  |
| **Question 4:** | **11 to 12 points:**  Compare and contrast three worldviews. The question thoroughly addresses each worldview’s basic tenets and perspective of the role of government.  Work demonstrates a detailed understanding of ideas from required sources. | **10 to 10.5 points:**  Compare and contrast three worldviews. The question addresses each worldview’s basic tenets, and shows a general understanding of the role of government from each worldview.  Work demonstrates a general understanding of ideas from required sources. | **1 to 9.5 points:**  Compare and contrast three worldviews. The question fails to address the basic tenets of all three worldviews or show a basic understanding of the role of government from each worldview perspective.  Work demonstrates an inadequate understanding of ideas from required sources. | **0 points**  Not present |  |
| **Structure**  **(30%)** | **Advanced**  **92-100%** | **Proficient**  **84-91%** | **Developing**  **1-83%** | **Not Present** | **Total** |
| **Sources** | **11.5 to 12.5 points:**  All required sources from Modules/Weeks 1–2 (must include the "Biblical Principles of Government" article), Scripture, and the required readings and presentations from the assigned module/week are cited. | **10.5 to 11 points:**  Most of the required sources from Modules/Weeks 1–2 (must include the "Biblical Principles of Government" article), Scripture, and the required readings and presentations from the assigned module/week are cited. | **1 to 10 points:**  Few of the required sources from Modules/Weeks 1–2 (must include the "Biblical Principles of Government" article), Scripture, and the required readings and presentations from the assigned module/week are cited. | **0 points**  Not present |  |
| **APA format** | **9 to 10 points:**  Sources are cited and listed in current APA format. | **8 to 8.5 points:**  Sources are generally cited and listed in current APA format. | **1 to 7.5 points:**  Numerous deficiencies with respect to proper APA. | **0 points**  Not present |  |
| **Professor Comments:** |  | | | **Total:** | **/75** |