

2024 Evaluation Rubric

SECTION 1: Written Business Plan

1. Executive Summary	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2. Magnitude of the Problem	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3. Outline of the Solution	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4. Market Validation / Competition	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
5. Operational Plan	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
6. Marketing & Distribution	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
7. Management Team/Advisory	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
8. Financial Viability / Scalability	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
9. Financial Projections / Returns	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
10. Other (IP, timeline, realistic)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
11. Social Entrepreneurship	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

Total (out of 110)

1. Executive Summary Standalone overview of the business plan	2. Magnitude of the Problem Is this a major problem or minor? Is it local, national, or global?	3. Outline of the Solution Does the product solve the problem? Is the product protected (IP)? Status (proof of concept/prototype)?
4. Market Validation/Competition	5. Operational Plan	6. Marketing & Distribution
Is there a clear market need?	Actual intent to set-up operations	Effective marketing strategy
Will customers pay a premium?	Viable plan to set up operations?	Effective advertising strategy
Competitive landscape	Ongoing operational capability	Clear distribution channels/strategy
7. Management Team	8. Financial Viability/Scalability	9. Financial Projections/Returns
Is team experienced and capable?	Attractive rev/exp, margins	No cash flow or balance sheet issues
Able to overcome risks/changes?	Realistic start-up costs	Realistic funding/capital structure
Proper Board or Advisory Board?	Scalable product or service	Attractive investor returns
10. Other: Intellectual property, timeline for implementation, realistic, professional, convincing strategy.	11. Social Entrepreneurship Does the company incorporate social enterpolity is the business innately a social enterpolity of the business innately a social en	entrepreneurship in the business model? prise?



SECTION 2: Live Business Plan Presentation

	Poor				Ave	rage		Excellent			Total
Formal Presentation:											
1. Material presented clearly/logically	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2. Thorough outline of business plan	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3. Clear understanding of market	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4. Proper use of examples	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
5. Overall quality of presentation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
6. Demonstrates passion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Question & Answer:											
7. Ability to clearly answer questions	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
8. Ability to correctly answer questions	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
9. Has deep understanding of venture	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
10. Exhibits poise and confidence	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

SECTION 3: Viability of Company

Total (out of 100)

	Poor			Average				Ex	celle	Total	
1. Market Opportunity	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
2. Unique Competence	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
3. Management Capability	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
4. Financial Understanding	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
5. Investment Potential	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
6. Social Entrepreneurship present	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

Total (out of 60)

Grand Total (out of 270)
