Guide to Outstanding Master’s Thesis Review

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In responding to the following questions, please be as specific as possible. Cite examples and page numbers.

A. Introduction

1. Was the research question well defined?
2. Was the need for the study clearly stated?
3. Is this study a significant contribution to the field?
4. Was the review of the literature comprehensive?

B. Methodology

1. Was the methodology appropriate for the task undertaken?
2. Was the description of the methodology clear and orderly?

C. Results

1. Were analytical methods clearly implemented?
2. Were adequate statements made regarding the support or rejection of the research question?

D. Discussion and Conclusion

1. Did the discussion account for the results?
2. What are the limitations of this project and were they clearly delineated?
3. Were implications for future research clearly thought out and described?
4. Was the writing style clear, appropriate, and interesting?

Summary

Please make an analytic statement summarizing why this thesis is outstanding within the criteria of the discipline.

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