Grade Band	Research topic and framing	Research question (s)	Research design plus conclusion and research potential	Findings from the field trip encounters	Poster Communication	Poster Layout and Images
70-100% (1st) Very Good Excellent Exemplary Exceptional	Exceptionally clear and compelling presentation of a topic with significant scope for engagement with the GY247 syllabus and Cagliari fieldtrip, demonstrating outstanding relevance and understanding. The topic is articulated with a high degree of originality and intellectual maturity. It is very well framed within a relevant body of literature that goes beyond the standard course materials.	Research question(s) are articulated with excellent clarity, originality, and relevance to the research topic. The question(s) demonstrate an advanced level of inquiry and intellectual ambition.	Research design is very well articulated, showing a sophisticated understanding of the necessary methodologies. Methodology is not only well-explained but also innovative in its proposed application, enhancing the research question's exploration. Premise or hypothesis is both plausible and insightful, suggesting a potentially significant contribution to the field. The conclusion and research potential are presented with outstanding clarity and supported by excellent research design.	The poster exemplifies how field trip encounters have informed the research question, design, and any preliminary findings. Encounters are integrated into the research narrative, demonstrating an advanced level of synthesis and relevance.	Content is very well tailored to both experts and non-experts, with an exceptionally memorable and impactful take-home message. The communication is of an exemplary standard, reflecting a professional level of academic dissemination.	Layout is extremely well-executed, facilitating an intuitive and engaging flow of information. An excellent balance of text and visual elements is achieved, enhancing the poster's readability and impact. Images are of very high quality, very well aligned with the research design, and significantly enhance the poster's overall message. Visuals demonstrate a high level of selection and integration into the research narrative.

60-69%	Clear presentation of a	Research question(s)	Research design is	The poster clearly shows	The poster	The layout is clear and
(2:1)	topic with good scope	are clearly	clearly communicated,	how field trip	communicates content	nicely organized,
Solid	for engagement with	communicated,	with a solid	encounters have	suitable for a broad	promoting a logical
30110	the GY247 syllabus and	relevant, and	methodology that aligns	informed the research	audience, with a clear	sequence that is easy to
Nice	Cagliari fieldtrip,	formulated to enable a	well with the research	question, design, and	and notable take-home	follow.
Good	indicating strong relevance and	focused and insightful investigation.	question.	any preliminary findings.	message.	There is a strong
Strong	comprehension.	The question(s) reflect a	Methodology is explained with clarity	Encounters are well- integrated and add a	Communication is clear, engaging, and well-	balance between text and visuals, with no
	The topic is presented	strong understanding of	and applied	clear value to the	tailored to the intended	errors in grammar or
	with a clear sense of	the research topic and	competently.	research narrative.	audience.	spelling and an effective
	purpose and insight.	its complexities.	Premise or hypothesis is			use of colour schemes.
	It is nicely framed within		plausible and reasoned,			Images are clearly
	a relevant body of		indicating a good level			presented and well-
	literature that also		of understanding.			chosen to fit the
	engages with standard		The conclusion and			research design and
	course materials.		research potential are			contribute to the
			presented clearly and			poster's message.
			supported by a solid			Visuals are nicely
			research design.			integrated and support
						the text effectively.

50-59% (2:2)	Adequate presentation of a topic that relates to	Research question(s) are adequately	Research design is adequately	The poster adequately illustrates the influence	The poster content is generally accessible	Layout is adequate, with a reasonable sequence
Adequate Reasonable	the GY247 syllabus and Cagliari fieldtrip, showing satisfactory	communicated, with a reasonable degree of relevance and potential	communicated, with a methodology that is appropriate for the	of field trip encounters on the research process.	with a take-home message that is satisfactory but may	and balance of text and visuals.
Plausible Lacking	relevance. The topic is communicated with a satisfactory level of clarity and some original thought. It is reasonably framed within some relevant literature, but little (if anything) beyond the standard course materials.	for a coherent investigation. The question(s) indicate a satisfactory grasp of the research topic.	research question. The premise or hypothesis is plausible but may lack depth. The conclusion and research potential are reasonably clear but lack support from the research design.	Encounters are referenced but could be better integrated into the overall research narrative.	lack impact. Communication is adequate, though opportunities to enhance engagement and clarity may have been missed.	Occasional errors in grammar or spelling may be present, and colour schemes are satisfactory. Images are adequately presented and generally support the research design. Visuals contribute to the message but lack integration or quality.

40-49% (3rd) Lacking Basic Minimal Unclear	A topic is presented with minimal engagement with the GY247 syllabus and Cagliari fieldtrip, with relevance needing further development. The topic lacks a clear focus or originality but meets the basic requirement of relevance. There is some framing of the topic within the literature, but some literature is irrelevant	Research question(s) are communicated with some clarity but lack focus or relevance, resulting in a less coherent framework for investigation. The question(s) demonstrate a minimal understanding of the research topic.	Research design is communicated with minimal clarity, and the methodology may only partially fit the research question. The premise or hypothesis is just plausible, lacking depth and originality. The conclusion and research potential are barely communicated and lack support from the research design.	The poster shows a basic connection between field trip encounters and the research, but the integration is superficial. The influence of encounters on the research is mentioned but not well-articulated.	Poster content is somewhat suitable for the intended audience, but the take-home message lacks clarity or memorability. Communication meets the basic requirements but is not engaging or clear.	The layout provides a basic structure, but the sequence may be challenging to follow at times. There may be an imbalance in text and visuals, noticeable errors in grammar or spelling, and less effective use of colour schemes. Images are presented but may not be clearly connected to the research design.
	of the topic within the literature, but some		and lack support from			but may not be clearly connected to the

Below 40% (Fail) Unclear Lacking Poor Irrelevant	The topic is unclear, with little to no engagement with the GY247 syllabus and Cagliari fieldtrip, lacking relevance. The topic is poorly defined, with no discernible originality or intellectual	Research question(s) are poorly communicated or irrelevant, failing to provide a foundation for a credible investigation. The question(s) show little understanding of the research topic or intellectual effort	Research design is poorly communicated, with a methodology that does not fit the research question. The premise or hypothesis lacks plausibility and critical reasoning.	The poster fails to demonstrate how field trip encounters informed the research process. There is little to no reference to the encounters, or they are irrelevantly integrated.	Poster content is not suitably adapted for the audience, with a take- home message that is unclear or missing. Communication fails to meet the basic academic standards required for dissemination	Layout lacks clarity, with a confusing sequence of information. Poor balance of text and visuals, multiple errors in grammar or spelling, and ineffective colour schemes. Images are poorly
	intellectual engagement. There is little to no framing of the topic within literature. Even the course materials are barely used.	intellectual effort.	The conclusion and research potential are poorly communicated (or missing) and lack support from the research design.		dissemination.	Images are poorly presented and do not fit the research design. Visuals fail to contribute to the poster's overall message or are misleading.