

International Master in Comparative Social Research
Criteria for Grading 2016 Olympiad

	Max. Points
Section 1. Short Essay. Comparative-Historical Problem	36
Correctness of answer (answer takes all cases into account)	16
Parsimony of answer (answer is a simpler explanation, albeit a correct one)	10
Writing ability	10
Section 2. Long Essay. Research Proposal	43
Precision of research question, defined terms	10
Appropriateness of methods for research question	5
Precision of methods description: sampling, data gathering, analysis technique	5
Clarity of hypotheses/'sensitizing assumptions' and reasoning behind them	8
Feasability of proposal	5
Writing ability	10
Section 3. Analytical Reasoning	21
3 points per correct answer x 7	21
Total points	100