Rubric for *Graduate Students* Seed Funding Program

Criteria	Total Points Worth	Total Points Received	Notes
The problem to be addressed is clearly stated (and – if applicable – audience/community has been clearly identified)	5		
Clear explanation of prior research (or – if applicable – engagement activities)	4		
Clear explanation of the research gap	5		
Clear explanation of how you will fill the gap (or – if applicable – how you plan to engage the audience/community)	5		
Clear explanation of data-enabled research or data science component	5		
Clear connection to societal challenges/important problems and/or their solutions	3		
Clear description of how the funds will be used	3		
	Total: 30 pts	**Total: _____**	