

Designing Great Rubrics

Review the pdf, [Designing Great Rubrics](#) by Michael Simkins. In the handout Michael lists 10 important tips for creating great rubrics.

1. Don't make task-specific rubrics
2. Don't be excessively general
3. Avoid dysfunctional detail
4. Focus on a limited number of dimensions (Criteria)
5. Use key, teachable criteria
6. Use measurable criteria
7. Select (rating levels) descriptors carefully
8. Aim for four levels (rating levels)
9. Keep the "distance" between levels (points) equal
10. Include students in creating or adapting the rubric