## ECNG 3020 - FINAL REPORT CHECKLIST

Index of Quality	Description	Items for Action ( attend to each item separately and in turn)
Easy to use	Task Orientation: Single focus - succinctly and completely report on your research.	<ul> <li>Review the content requirements of the report – consult manual, supervisor's notes, marking scheme</li> <li>Make a list of what you need to report on</li> <li>Determine if you have covered them</li> </ul>
	Accuracy: Freedom from error –validity of the data and grammatical correctness	<ul> <li>Ascertain if your results are verifiable</li> <li>Determine if they need further testing/validation</li> <li>Report truthfully</li> <li>Review for grammar errors; ask a trusted person to review your work.</li> </ul>
Easy to understand	Clarity: Freedom from ambiguity – meaning is clear from the first reading.	Review for clarity – ask yourself if you have chosen the best word and the best sentence structure to convey meaning. Opt for familiar words and simple sentence structures.
	<u>Concreteness</u> : Inclusion of appropriate examples, illustrations, drawings, graphs etc. to aid understanding	Ensure that all required non-text items are well integrated and captioned
	Visual appeal: Attractiveness through easy to discern colouring, easy to read typography and clear and well-labelled non-textual items (diagrams, drawings, graphs etc.).	<ul> <li>Verify that you have used double line spacing for the body of your report</li> <li>Ensure that you use single line spacing for references, long quotations that are set apart from text and appendices</li> <li>Choose 12 point TNR or another simple serif font for body text and Sans Serif font for headings</li> <li>Ensure that all equations, graphs, circuitry are generated by and inserted using appropriate software – no hand written insertions</li> </ul>
	Style: Correct application of appropriate writing and referencing conventions.	<ul> <li>Verify that you have used standard notation where required</li> <li>Review your report for tone – it should be formal. Eliminate colloquialisms and contractions. Avoid the use of the first person perspective</li> <li>Review your both your in-text and end of text citations ensure that they adhere to CMoS</li> </ul>
Easy to find	Organisation: Coherent arrangement of parts that makes the logical flow of ideas possible and the connection amongst ideas clear and apparent.	<ul> <li>Ensure that your chapters and sections are appropriately ordered and labelled</li> <li>Review each chapter to ensure that ideas are logically ordered and adequately developed</li> <li>Use transitions, such as 'first', 'next', 'then', to connect ideas and provide guideposts for the reader</li> </ul>
	Retrievability: Presentation of information for quick and easy retrieval. Tables of content, tables of figures etc. must be well-presented and accurate.	<ul> <li>Verify pagination – front material in Roman numerals, everything else in Arabic</li> <li>Check the accuracy of your table of contents, list of tables, list of figure, list of symbols</li> <li>Ensure that chapters are appropriately headed, appendices are labelled, non-text items are captioned</li> </ul>