

Drafting Evaluation Criteria with Al

Use these prompts with tools like ChatGPT to help create clear, relevant, and customized evaluation criteria for your next RFP or vendor selection.

© General Prompts for Evaluation Criteria

- "Help me create evaluation criteria for reviewing vendor proposals for [project type].
 Criteria should focus on quality, cost, and compliance."
- "Give me a sample scoring rubric (1–5 scale) for evaluating contractors bidding on a [describe service or product] project."
- "What are the top 5 evaluation criteria I should use to assess proposals for [goal or outcome]?"

🧩 Customizing for Organizational Needs

- "Suggest evaluation criteria that align with a nonprofit organization's mission to provide [insert mission, e.g., legal aid or health equity]."
- "Draft evaluation questions that reflect our values of diversity, equity, and inclusion."
- "What criteria should I use to assess whether a vendor understands the needs of low-income or underserved communities?"

📊 Scoring & Weighting Assistance

- "Create a weighted scoring matrix for comparing proposals across quality, compensation, and risk. Prioritize quality over cost."
- "Help me turn these criteria into a scorecard: [paste your criteria]. Include rating descriptions for each score (1–5)."

✓ Legal & Compliance-Focused Prompts

- "List evaluation criteria that ensure compliance with data privacy laws and contractual risk management for a cloud-based vendor."
- "What questions should I ask to verify a vendor's insurance, licensing, and legal history?"

Testing & Refining Prompts

- "Review my evaluation criteria for clarity and fairness. Here they are: [paste criteria]. Suggest improvements."
- "Help me rewrite vague evaluation criteria into specific, measurable ones."
- "Create an example of a proposal that would score high vs. low based on this criterion: [insert criterion]."

Communication & Collaboration

- "Draft language I can use to explain our evaluation criteria to proposal reviewers during a training session."
- "Suggest a brief explanation I can include in an RFP document about how proposals will be evaluated and scored."

Tip: These prompts work best when you include specific project details and your organization's goals. Don't be afraid to iterate and ask follow-up questions to refine your criteria!