

APPENDIX 2

CRIJ 5340

WRITING ASSIGNMENT RUBRIC

Assignments with more than 20% matching will not be graded and will be assigned a "zero." The 20% matching is allowed for the reference section and technical terms.

	0-69	70-89	90-100	POINTS
Content & Development 50 pts	Poor - Content is incomplete. - Major points are not clear and /or persuasive. - less than 3 peer-reviewed articles cited.	Fair - Content is not comprehensive and /or persuasive. - Major points are addressed, but not well supported. - Research is inadequate or does not address course concepts. - Content is inconsistent with regard to purpose and clarity of thought. - 3 peer-reviewed articles cited.	Good - Content is comprehensive, accurate, and persuasive. - Major points are stated clearly and are well supported. - Research is adequate, timely and addresses course concepts. - Content and purpose of the writing are clear. -4- 5 peer-reviewed articles cited.	
Organization & Structure 20 pts	Poor - Organization and structure detract from the message of the writer. - Paragraph is disjointed and lack transition of thoughts.	Fair - Structure of the paragraph is not easy to follow. - Paragraph transitions need improvement.	Good - Structure of the paragraph is clear and easy to follow.	
Format 10 pts	Poor - Paper lacks many elements of correct formatting. - Paragraph is inadequate/excessive in length. Articles not cited properly as per the APA style; More than 5 mistakes in citation.	Fair - Paper follows most guidelines. - Paper is over/ under word length. - Articles not cited properly as per the APA style; 1- 5 mistakes in citation.	Good - Paper follows designated guidelines. - Paper is the appropriate length as described for the assignment. Articles cited properly in the APA style.	
Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling 20 pts	Poor - Paper contains numerous grammatical, punctuation, and spelling errors. - Language uses jargon or conversational tone; use of contractions and first person.	Fair - Paper contains few grammatical, punctuation and spelling errors. - Language lacks clarity or includes the use of some jargon or conversational tone, use of contractions and first person.	Good - Rules of grammar, usage, and punctuation are followed; spelling is correct. - Language is clear and precise; sentences display consistently strong, varied structure.	
TOTAL POINTS				