

Unit 8 Assignment: Psychology in Project Management

Due: **Saturday by 11:59 pm at the end of Unit 8.**

Both positive and industrial psychology can play a very important part in aligning your project team members with the project's goals. How?

Your final product will be a paper that:

- 2 - 3 double-spaced, APA formatted pages; and
- Includes at least two (2) references to this week's materials in Blackboard, and two (2) additional references from research you will do on the web.

The requirements for your assignment are:

1. Provide an overview of the topic by defining both "positive" and "industrial" psychology. Use your own description to the greatest extent. A "cut and paste" from the web, with the reference, will not suffice for this part.
2. Describe how each type of psychology might be used to help a project succeed.
3. Describe how each type of psychology might be used to help team members reach their full potential, both individually and within the team.
4. Describe how you might use each type of psychology in the future, or even currently, to improve the efforts, atmosphere, and camaraderie of a given project.

Students: Be sure to read the criteria and review the grading rubric on the next page, by which your paper/project will be evaluated, before you write, and again after you write.

Evaluation Rubric for *Unit 8* Assignment

CRITERIA	Deficient	Proficient	Exemplary	Points Earned
Overview of the Topics	0-13 Points Does not provide an adequate overview or is missing.	14-27 Points Overview is presented, though may not be clear or complete.	28-40 Points Overview is clearly presented including all criteria outlined above.	
Complete Answers	0-11 Points Questions unanswered and/or poorly answered.	12-23 Points All questions answered with 1-2 sentence inputs.	24-35 Points All questions answered with depth and clarity.	
References to Course Materials	0-5 Points Less than 4 references, no assimilation to the questions.	6-10 Points 4 references, minimal assimilation to the questions.	11-15 Points More than 4 references and assimilations show depth and clarity.	
APA Format	0-1 Point Format has errors that impede professional presentation; and/or APA not followed, reference page missing.	2-3 Points APA format and reference page has few errors that do not impede professional presentation.	4-5 Points APA format and reference page is clear, professional, and error free.	
Writing Quality	0-1 Point More than 7 writing errors, to include spelling and punctuation.	2-3 Points More than 4 writing errors, to include spelling and punctuation.	4-5 Points No writing errors.	
Total				100