

RESEARCH PAPER RUBRIC

Your research paper should contain each of the following items (as explained in the initial handout you received). You will not receive full credit if you leave any of them out. Some are rather difficult to find, but they are out there! You've had a long time to look for them. **Don't forget to attach this sheet to the end of your paper.**

Point Scale

15 = excellently described, explained, and addressed using lots of specific information

12 = well described, explained, and addressed using specific information

9 = adequately described, explained, and addressed using some specific information

6 = described, explained, and addressed with little supporting detail

3 = described, explained, and addressed with almost no supporting detail

0 = not addressed or addressed in a very general manner

History of profession/career

--how the career came into existence

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--evolution of the career

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Present

--trends/statistics

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--competition/entry-level opportunities/incentives

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Future

--opportunities for advancement

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--changes in the field

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Characteristics of the profession

--working environment

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--quality of life issues

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Qualifications

--skills/abilities needed for success

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--education/training required

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--experience/volunteer opportunities

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Discoveries/Findings (This section – and only this section – should be written using first person. Do not confuse this with your conclusion, which reviews the contents of your entire paper in an engaging way!)

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Other Components

The paper contains an appropriate, distinct introduction and conclusion. These are creative, well-thought out, and designed to engage the reader.

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The paper uses appropriate APA in-text citations and Reference List formatting*.

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The paper contains no spelling, grammatical, or typographical errors. It looks professional and polished.

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The paper contains a cover page and all pages are numbered appropriately.

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* The 20 points above are for the correct usage of the APA style. Papers with sparse or missing citations/reference list pages will NOT be graded. The paper will be returned to you and the late policy will apply! Make sure you include these things!

Overall Grade: _____ / 250