

PSY 545 Milestone One Guidelines and Rubric

Overview: You will submit a two- to three--page paper. In the paper, discuss which case scenario you will be analyzing. Also include an outline of the key facts of the case, and discuss the issues that your assigned forensic psychologist should address in the chosen scenario. Discuss the needs of the client, the defense team, and the court. Finally, include any other information that will be used to establish context for analyzing and evaluating the case.

Specifically, the following critical elements must be addressed:

I. Introduction

- a) What case scenario will you be analyzing?
- b) Outline the key facts of the case.
- c) Overall, what are issues your assigned forensic psychologist would address in this scenario? Based on the scenario, what are the needs of the client? The defense team? The court?

Please note that in your Final Project submission, there is only one Introduction critical element, which combines the four Introduction critical elements noted below. This milestone has four critical elements for the Introduction to allow you to practice and obtain feedback from your instructor, in order to have a polished Introduction for your Final Project.

Guidelines for Submission: Milestone One should follow these formatting guidelines: Use of a minimum of two sources, two to three pages with double spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font, one-inch margins, and citations in APA style. **You must score “Proficient” on both critical elements to earn your points for this activity.** Please see the feedback provided by your instructor and resubmit, as needed.

Critical Elements	Proficient (100%)	Needs Improvement (70%)	Not Evident (0%)	Points
Introduction Identifying Case Scenario	Identifies a case scenario		Does not identify a case scenario	5
Introduction Key Facts	Outlines the key facts of the case relevant to the issues and needs that will be discussed	Outlines key facts of the case but not as they relate to the issues or needs which will be discussed	Does not outline the key facts of the case	30
Introduction Issues	Identifies the issues from the scenario which the assigned forensic psychologist would address	Identifies issues in the scenario, however not the needs the assigned forensic psychologist would address	Does not identify the issues or the needs from the scenario	30
Introduction Needs	Identifies the needs of the client, the defense team, and the court	Identifies some of the needs in the scenario but not all	Does not identify any needs	30
Articulation of Response	Submission has no major errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization	Submission has major errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization that negatively impact readability and articulation of main ideas	Submission has critical errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization that prevent understanding of ideas	5