CJ 790 Module One Journal Guidelines and Rubric

Overview: In this course, there are three journal assignments. Journal assignments in this course are private between you and the instructor.

Prompt: For this assignment, you will read the two scenarios provided for your capstone project and then select one scenario and one of the provided cities to research. You should imagine that the criminal justice organization described in your selected scenario is located within that city.

You will then conduct research on your selected city to find a current criminal justice issue related to the city. Consider what position you want to hold in the future when researching issues in your chosen city. You may be able to find an issue to address in your capstone project that resembles what you want to do; this will help you showcase the relevant skills you have developed in this program. Whatever issue you select should be highly publicized so that you can use it as the basis of your problem analysis.

Your journal assignment should state your scenario, your city, and your chosen issue. Briefly explain why you made these selections.

Note: Please see the feedback provided by your instructor and then, if necessary, resubmit your topic selection. It is important to apply instructor feedback to this assignment, which will provide you with the information you need to start working on your final project.

Rubric

Guidelines for Submission: Submit assignment as a Word document with double spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font, and one-inch margins. Your journal assignment should be one to two paragraphs in length.

Critical Elements	Proficient (100%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Scenario	Identifies the selected scenario and includes an accurate and detailed explanation of the relevance of the scenario	Does not identify the scenario	30
City	Identifies the selected city and includes an accurate and detailed explanation of the relevance of the city	Does not identify the city	30
Issue	Identifies the selected issue and includes an accurate and detailed explanation of the relevance of the issue	Does not identify the issue	30
Articulation of Response	Submission is mostly free of errors of organization and grammar; existing errors are marginal and rarely interrupt the flow	Submission contains errors of organization and grammar that make the submission difficult to understand	10
		Total	**100%**