

PHL 212 Short Paper Guidelines and Rubric

Guidelines for Submission: Short paper assignments must include a cover page and reference page, double spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font, one-inch margins, and discipline-appropriate citations. Short papers should be two to three pages in length (not including cover page and reference page).

Critical Elements	Exemplary (100%)	Proficient (85%)	Needs Improvement (55%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Inquiry and Analysis	Provides in-depth analysis that demonstrates complete understanding of multiple concepts	Provides analysis that demonstrates understanding of concepts	Provides analysis that demonstrates incomplete understanding of minimal concepts	Does not provide in-depth analysis	20
Integration and Application	All of the course concepts are correctly applied	Course concepts are correctly applied	Course concepts are correctly applied but use is cursory	Does not correctly apply any of the course concepts	20
Critical Thinking	Draws insightful conclusions that are thoroughly defended with evidence and examples	Draws informed conclusions that are justified with evidence	Draws logical conclusions, but does not defend with evidence	Does not draw logical conclusions	20
Research	Effectively incorporates many scholarly sources from within and outside of the textbook which reflects depth and breadth of research	Incorporates scholarly sources from the textbook which reflects depth and breadth of research	Incorporates scholarly sources from the textbook which reflects depth and breadth of research, but use is cursory	Does not incorporate scholarly sources from the textbook	20
Writing (Mechanics/Citations)	No errors related to organization, grammar and style, citations, and references	Minor errors related to organization, grammar and style, citations, and references	Some errors related to organization, grammar and style, citations, and references	Major errors related to organization, grammar and style, citations, and references	20
Earned Total					100%