

ETHICS of LEADERSHIP

Position Paper #1: Grading Rubric

Student:

Points Earned:

Grader:

Normalized Grade:

	Excellent	Satisfactory	Mediocre	Unacceptable
General Requirements				
Follows the "General Technical Requirements for Written Assignments" (on page 11 of the syllabus).	0	-2	-4	-5
Followed the conventions of standard English, with no errors hindering comprehension.	0	-2	-4	-5
Organized to convey ideas clearly in a logical fashion.	0	-2	-4	-5
Followed the instructions concerning this paper's topic.	0	-8	-16	-20
Introduction				
Clearly presents the central position (or main thesis) that the paper intends to defend.	5	4	2	0
Clearly presents any background information and explains any terminology necessary for someone unfamiliar with the paper's topic to readily understand its central position. (<i>This criteria also applies to claims made in the body of this paper.</i>)	15	12	6	0
Body				
Clearly presents the principle premises, reasons and/or evidence in support of this paper's central position.	15	12	6	0
Clearly and persuasively explains why these premises, reasons, and/or evidence are plausible, compelling, and difficult to deny.	25	20	10	0
Clearly and persuasively explains the inferences used to show how these premises, reasons, and/or evidence support the central position.	25	20	10	0
Provides relevant and concise examples to help clarify and illustrate important points and concepts.	10	8	4	0
Remains focused on defending its central position without being distracted by inessential details.	10	8	4	0
Provides a generally compelling defense of its central position.	15	12	6	0
Conclusion				
The paper ends once it has finished defending its position. There is no concluding paragraph summarizing the paper or explaining the consequences that result from accepting this paper's central claim.	0	-2	-4	-5
Overall, demonstrates full comprehension of the paper's topic while adroitly defending its position.	5	4	2	0