

Title of the Paper
(Take-Home Final Examination)

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(Research and Writing - ENG 215)

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Take-Home Final Examination #1

Based on lecture, class discussions, and your reading of the assigned chapters and assignments, provide a fifteen page research paper and twenty references, as indicated in the course syllabus. In your research, you are required to demonstrate originality, creativity, and knowledge of related literature in the subject matter or topic area of your choice. Furthermore, you must show rigor in the research process as well as intellectual significance of your overall research effort.

You are reminded to acknowledge sources used and to cite properly in your paper. Citations should conform to the APA style manual. Plagiarism in research paper must be avoided because the paper will not be graded or will receive a failing grade. For the benefit of students who may not know, plagiarism is "taking and using another person's ideas or writings as one's own, without giving proper credit or acknowledgment." You are, therefore, encouraged to carefully identify sources utilized in your paper. Please note that good sources and appropriate citations enhance a researcher's research efforts. Finally, as you work on the final phase of your research paper for this class, it is important to note the ethics of research, especially about the following: "honoring property rights, seeking permission to publish material on your web site, honoring and crediting sources in online classrooms, sharing credit and honoring it in collaborative projects, avoiding plagiarism, using sources to place your work in its proper context, and using sources to enhance your credibility."

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Take-Home Examination - 2

(Evaluating Critical Thinking, Analytical Reasoning, and Writing Skills)

Print Your Name

According to Aristotle cited in DeVito (2005), all virtue is summed up in dealing justly with others - family, friends, and colleagues. Based on lecture and class discussion on critical thinking and communication skills, you are required to provide a detailed discussion of the issues stated below, and support your points with relevant examples/illustrations.

Scenario #1: Ethnocentrism

Some of your friends and classmates are extremely ethnocentric, never acknowledging that other cultures have any value. You want to show them that their ethnocentrism is getting in the way of their learning and profiting from the contributions of other cultures in today's global society. What do you say to your friends and classmates, through what channel, and in what context. Find an article on "ethnocentrism" in the library to support your position and attached a copy of it for my review.

Scenario #2: Relationship Stage

Your friend (classmate, group member, or colleague) gives you a gift that contradicts your perception of your relationship stage. The gift is much too intimate and too expensive for the casual nature of what you believe your relationship is. Based on class discussions of effective communication skills, what would you say to this person? Provide an appropriate and detailed response, and support your points with relevant points.

Scenario #3: Relationship Dissolution

You realize that your six month relationship with Mr./Ms. Robinson is going nowhere, and you want to break it off. It is just not exciting and not taking you where you want to go. Based on your understanding of critical thinking, interpersonal, and intercultural sensitivity, what would you say to this person, through what channel, and in what context? Provide an appropriate and detailed response, and support your points with relevant points.

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The APA (American Psychological Association) writing format is required for this final research paper. You are advised to obtain a copy of the APA style manual from the library as soon as possible, if you do not have one.

Required Research Sequence (Steps)
(8-10 Pages; 10-15 references)

Your research paper should conform to the steps listed below, and the steps should be indicated in your paper.

- (a) Research Topic
- (b) Introduction
- (c) Problem Statement(s)
- (d) Statements of Objectives
- (e) Literature Review
- (f) Conclusion
- (g) Recommendations
- (h) References/Bibliography

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