

RESEARCH PAPER: CADV 350 – Applied Cognitive Development, Miodrag

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Writing style (sophistication and quality of writing; minimum 3 peer reviewed papers; adheres to dates within 10 years, 3 from 2009-2019)	Very difficult to read; poorly developed	Many spelling, and grammatical issues; difficulty quality of writing	Some spelling, and grammatical issues; satisfactory quality of writing	Reads fairly well and the quality of writing is well developed	Easy to read and writing is sophisticated and of excellent quality
Thesis Statement (present thesis statement clearly in text; provide rationale and discuss relevance)	Completely unclear in paper	Some clarity issues	Mostly clear and provides rationale	Proficient presentation	Expert presentation
Organization and structure of writing (follow guidelines for assignment; logical flow of writing; clear and concise; roadmap)	Disjointed and convoluted	Difficult to follow argument	Competent but some flow probs and/or trouble with focus	Proficient (clear/concise, maintains focus)	Expert level (clear/concise, flawless argument)
Review and synthesis (clear summary of research findings; synthesize/make connections across findings; show understanding of topic)	Unclear summary and synthesis	Somewhat clear summary and synthesis	Mostly clear summary and synthesis of the research	Very clear summary and synthesis of the research	Expert summary and synthesis of the research
Conclusion(s) (present stance or viewpoint; address practice/application of your topic; clear link back to thesis statement)	No conclusion	Unclear conclusion, application or practical component	Conclusion, no clear application or practical component	Conclusion clearly addresses application or practice	Expert conclusion, application, and practical component
APA style referencing & mechanics In-text citations, reference page, title page, headers, use of direct quotes, paraphrasing) bold the thesis statement, mechanics (Times, 12 font, 1" margins)	Paper does not adhere to APA format	Paper has many APA errors	Paper has some APA errors	Paper has few APA errors that does not distract the reader	Paper fully adheres to APA format; Excellent APA
Topic Choice	Poor topic choice; highly irrelevant to CADV 350	Somewhat relevant topic; few core topics relate to CADV 350	Satisfactory topic choice; some relevant core concepts to CADV 350	Appropriate topic choice; many relevant core concepts relate to CADV 350	Excellent; all core concepts highly appropriate to CADV 350