## Southern New Hampshire University PSY 614 Leadership Journal Guidelines and Rubric

**Overview:** Journal assignments ask you to reflect upon the topics discussed in the course to develop a personal leadership conceptual framework that ultimately incorporates your strengths and weaknesses, value system, professional goals, and responsibilities to the organization and larger community. Your journal assignments will demonstrate your evolution in thinking and personal viewpoint throughout the course. Approach these activities as (a) an opportunity to reflect upon and apply what you learn each week based on the assigned readings, discussions, and activities, and (b) an opportunity to share your knowledge and expertise based on your educational and professional experiences in the past. As a successful professional, you will need good reflective and writing skills. Journal assignments offer you the opportunity to further develop these skills. Journals are private between the student and the instructor.

**Note:** In Module Ten, you will summarize what you have learned from your individual journal assignments. You will self-critique your assignments and submit a three- to five-page paper that captures your conclusions. This will be your final leadership framework.

**Guidelines for Submission:** Submit assignment as a Word document with double spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font, and one-inch margins. All citations should be completed using APA format. Research is needed to substantiate claims.

| <b>Critical Elements</b>       | Exemplary (100%)                                                                                                                                            | Proficient (90%)                                                                        | Needs Improvement (70%)                                                                                                                                      | Not Evident (0%)                                                                                                               | Value |
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| Responses                      | Meets "Proficient" criteria<br>and substantiates thinking<br>with clear and relevant<br>personal examples and<br>independent research                       | Journal post includes an adequate response to the assignment prompt                     | Does not sufficiently respond to assignment prompt                                                                                                           | Does not respond to<br>assignment prompt                                                                                       | 40    |
| Integration and<br>Application | Meets "Proficient" criteria<br>and substantiates thinking<br>with clear and relevant<br>examples from module<br>content                                     | Journal post demonstrates good<br>depth of knowledge of the module<br>content           | Does not sufficiently<br>demonstrate depth of<br>knowledge of the module<br>content                                                                          | Does not demonstrate<br>knowledge of the module<br>content                                                                     | 40    |
| Articulation of<br>Response    | Submission is free of errors<br>related to citations,<br>grammar, spelling, and<br>syntax and is presented in a<br>professional and easy-to-<br>read format | Submission has no major errors<br>related to citations, grammar,<br>spelling, or syntax | Submission has major errors<br>related to citations, grammar,<br>spelling, or syntax that<br>negatively impact readability<br>and articulation of main ideas | Submission has critical errors<br>related to citations, grammar,<br>spelling, or syntax that prevent<br>understanding of ideas | 20    |
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