

Week 8 Assignment: Career Interest Essay

Instructions

Write and submit an essay (approximately 750 - 1,000 words) to describe what you learned from each of the steps below:

1. Do some research on a branch of human service work that you are interested in working in. Please cite at least three (3) sources other than the textbook that review information related to the work you are interested in. Consider the following questions:
 - What responsibilities does this type of position perform?
 - What populations would you work with in this position?
 - What type of education or training is required for this position?
2. Contact one or more local agencies that provide the services you researched in the first part of this project to learn more about the positions they hire and services they offer. Provide the following information about that experience:
 - The name of the organization.
 - The person (s) with whom you spoke and their position in the organization.
 - What you learned about the services provided from the organization.
 - How what you learned will help you professionally and/or personally
3. Reflect on what you've learned about this branch of human services
 - Is this an area that you believe you'd want to work in?
 - What strengths do you think you'd bring to this area of human services?
 - What challenges do you think you would have if you worked in this area of human services?
 - How has this project informed your future career choices?

Purpose

The purpose of this assignment is to help students clarify their career goals and see where they 'fit' in human services.

Grading Criteria

- Answer each question fully and concisely, addressing all aspects of it. Points will be taken off if you fail to answer all questions or do not provide sufficient detail. Please refer to the rubric for this assignment, which reflects these criteria.

- Submit your answers as a .doc, .docx, or .pdf by 11:59 pm on Sunday. One point (aka 5%) will be taken off your grade for each day the assignment is late.

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