PSY 150: Applying Psychological Concepts Paper

Consider the problem of poverty in the United States. Respond to the prompt, making sure to support your statements with information you have found using at least four (4) scholarly sources (such as the library databases, your textbook, or peer-reviewed sources). You MAY NOT use Wikipedia, ask.com, any .com sources, etc. More information will be provided in class on what makes for a scholarly source.

The link to the MCU Library will provide a Lib Guide designed specifically for PSY 150. This will lead you to APA formatting guides and data bases of scholarly sources.

Prompt: Identify and describe 2 concepts/theories from the broad field of psychology that may be related to poverty. Talk about how these factors may play a role in poverty, or be affected by living in a state of poverty. Support your statements with research evidence.

Due Date: Final Paper: August 14, 2019
(Note: If you want me to review your rough draft, submit to drop box “Rough Draft of Paper” by August 3. I will review and scan back to you, giving you time to make corrections.)

The paper must be in APA format. You will be submitting daily assignments in APA. OWL Purdue is a great online formatting source. Just make sure you click on APA and not MLA. More on this in will be posted in NEWS. https://owl.purdue.edu

- Your paper should be typed and double-spaced on standard-sized paper (8.5" x 11"), with 1" margins on all sides, including first page of text.
- Use a clear font that is highly readable. APA recommends using 12 pt. Times New Roman font. Calibri is another good font.
- Include a page header (also known as the "running head") at the top of every page. To create a page header/running head, insert page numbers flush right. Then type "TITLE OF YOUR PAPER" in the header flush left using all capital letters. The running head is a shortened version of your paper's title and cannot exceed 50 characters including spacing and punctuation.
- Title Page: See end for sample of Title Page. It should also include the page header (described above) flush left with the page number flush right at the top of the page. Please note that on the title page, your page header/running head should look like this:
  Running head: TITLE OF YOUR PAPER
  Pages after the title page should have a running head that looks like this:
  TITLE OF YOUR PAPER
- Please note: While the Title Page is page #1, this does not count in the requirement of 3-5 pages of text!
- Your final paper should be 3-5 pages in length, typed, double spaced (not counting title page and reference page).
- Cite your sources in APA style within the body of the paper. This applies to quotations, summaries or paraphrases of quotations, and general information.
- List your references on the final page. It will be its own page, with the heading References. (Do not count the reference page as part of the 3-5 pages). Do not use the word Bibliography or Works Cited.
• The body of the paper should be in 4 main sections (The different sections should not each be on a different page.)

**Introduction**
*Concept # 1 and Relationship to Poverty*
*Concept #2 and Relationship to Poverty*
*Conclusion*

While I wrote “Concept #1”, you will, of course, use the actual concept, e.g.,

**Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and Its Relationship to Poverty**

• Use college writing skills of solid paragraph writing: Intro statements, concluding statements, transitional statements.
• Spelling counts! Grammar counts!
• In research writing, one does not personal pronouns (e.g., You, Your, We, My, I) or contractions (don’t, won’t, shouldn’t, we’re, can’t, you’re).
• Avoid all opinion until the conclusion.

****Paper for another course**: It may be possible that another class has a similar assignment. While the same requirements would most likely not apply, speak first with me and the other professor. To use the same paper without advance approval is an integrity violation and a failing grade on the papers.
Title of Paper
Your Name
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(Note: all titles should read: Concept 1 and Concept 2 and Their Relationship to Poverty)

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