

Project 3: Reflective Final Paper (Individual project)

Possible points (maximum): 25 points

Due: December 15 at 11:59 US Eastern Time

Project Description:

Reflection is an important component of online learning, especially when you are engaged in applied projects in the context of an evaluation team. Additionally, an objective review of your own performance and that of your peers is a critical skill in team-based professional work. In this project you are expected to reflect upon what you have learned in this course through the individual and team project work and online discussions and activities. Synthesize and write up what you have learned as an essay. Please note, a synthesis is an amalgam or fusing of the different ideas and themes that emerged from the different activities.

Please include the following in your reflection:

- Ways in which the projects deepened your understanding of the course content, broadened your understanding of the field, and enhanced your practice as an evaluator.
- Challenges you encountered during your class work (discussions, projects, online discussion facilitation and activities) and ways in which you addressed them.
- Evaluation of your preparation to conduct evaluation professional work.
- Any other insights about the overall course experience you would like to add. Examples are insights about the online discussion facilitation and the use of multimedia (text, video, audio, still image) to support online interactions.

You are welcome to use examples to support your statements, for example, stories about your experience in the evaluation applied project (team project) and/or your current professional practice. It is wise to relate the readings and/or class discussions with your experiences and reflections.

Deliverable:

- Your essay should be approximately 6-8 pages long (double spaced).
- Use appropriate headings to facilitate readability.
- Name and date your paper
- Post essay (Word Doc preferred) on Carmen.

Evaluation Criteria

Your reflective paper will be graded for clarity, depth of insight and logical relationship of the insight to your professional and/or personal contexts.