

CJ 675 Module Three Journal Guidelines and Rubric

Overview: For this journal assignment, you will address questions based on one of the provided articles. You should also complete the assigned textbook reading for this module before submitting your assignment.

Prompt: Select one of the following articles:

- [How Data Analysis Helps Police Departments Fight Crime](#)
- [Wonder Why Prisons Stay Full When Crime Goes Down? Here’s the Real Reason.](#)
- [Big Data: Big Pain or Big Gain for Lawyers?](#)

Based on your chosen article, complete a journal assignment in which you thoroughly address the following questions:

- What is the **purpose** of data analysis within the field of criminal justice?
- How does proper data analysis assist the criminal justice professional in performing **daily activities**?
- Are there additional ways that data analysis can **improve** the daily routine of a criminal justice professional?

Rubric

Guidelines for Submission: Submit assignment as a Word document with double spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font, and one-inch margins. Your journal assignment must be 4–6 paragraphs with sources cited in APA format. Journal assignments in this course are private between you and the instructor.

Critical Elements	Exemplary (100%)	Proficient (90%)	Needs Improvement (70%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Purpose	Meets “Proficient” criteria, and purpose is thorough and clearly outlined	Provides data analysis purpose	Does not accurately provide data analysis purpose	Data analysis purpose is not provided	30
Daily Activities	Meets “Proficient” criteria, and reasoning is well defined and articulated	Provides reasoning why data analysis can improve daily routine	Does not accurately provide reasoning why data analysis can improve daily routine	Reasoning is not provided	30
Improvements	Meets “Proficient” criteria, and additional ways are thorough, well defined, and clearly articulated	Identifies additional ways proper data analysis can improve daily activities	Does not accurately identify additional ways proper data analysis can improve daily activities	Additional ways are not provided	30
Articulation of Response	Submission is free of errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, and organization, and it is presented in a professional and easy to read format	Submission has no major errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization	Submission has errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization that negatively impact readability and articulation of main ideas	Submission has critical errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization that prevents understanding of ideas	10
Total					100%