

MBA 550 Final Project Part II Milestone One Guidelines and Rubric

The milestone assignments will provide you with the opportunity to reflect on four organizational scenarios to demonstrate your understanding of leadership in organizational behavior. These assignments are designed to develop your skills in analyzing various organizational leadership situations dealing with skills assessment, team-building, vision and culture, problem-solving, and conflict management.

Prompt: For Milestone One: Teams, you will submit a short paper or presentation assessing how your chosen leader structured the organization and his or her executive team, and evaluating the best practices used by the leader. In this assignment, you will use the text and your research on your chosen leader. In the assignment, identify specific leadership actions used by your chosen leader to build and structure a productive organization and culture such as policy, communication, and training. Explain at least two examples of best practices for leaders in team development and communication in the organization using the three dimensions of energy, engagement, and exploration. Identify planning methods used by the leader to align teams with organizational vision, and explain actions that built and fostered team development and teamwork. Include the utilization of resources to build teams, including training, projects, and programs.

You will be evaluated on the analysis of executive team-building practices, theory, concepts and techniques; identification and summary of results of leadership actions that structured the organization for success; application of team-building and leadership action examples; critical thinking applied to your work product; and the articulation of your response in the writing process.

Guidelines for Submission: Milestone One: Teams must be in <u>APA style</u>. Include a separate title and reference page, an introduction, subheadings, and a conclusion. The requirements for this assignment are 2 to 4 pages in length (not including title and reference pages), double-spaced, 12-point Times New Roman font, one-inch margins, and at least two discipline-appropriate citations.

Critical Elements	Proficient (100%)	Needs Improvement (80%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Analysis of Executive	Explores some cognitive factors	Explores minimal cognitive	Does not explore cognitive	25
Team-Building Practices,	associated with executive	factors associated with	factors associated with	
Theory, Concepts, and	team-building through some	effective executive team-	executive team-building	
Techniques	detail and analysis to make	building through minimal detail	through detail and analysis and	
	informed conclusions	and analysis to make informed	does not make informed	
		conclusions	conclusions	
Summary of Results of	Accurately identifies and	Identifies and summarizes	Does not identify and	25
Leadership Actions	summarizes leadership actions	some leadership actions and	summarize leadership actions	
Related to Organizational	and results with some details of	results, but with insufficient	and results and does not	
Behavior Best Practices	organizational structure to	detail of organizational	provide sufficient detail of	
	exemplify success	structure to exemplify success	organizational structure to	
			exemplify success	



Application of Examples	Uses one example and applies	Applies some team-building	Does not correctly apply any	20
	most team-building and	and leadership actions that	team-building and leadership	
	leadership actions that	contribute to the effectiveness	actions that contribute to the	
	contribute to the effectiveness	of an organization correctly	effectiveness of an organization	
	of an organization correctly	within the analysis	correctly within the analysis	
	within the analysis			
Critical Thinking	Demonstrates moderate	Demonstrates minimal	Does not demonstrate	20
	exploration of issues and ideas	exploration of issues and ideas	exploration of issues and ideas	
	before accepting or forming an	before accepting or forming an	before accepting or forming an	
	opinion or conclusion	opinion or conclusion	opinion or conclusion	
Articulation of Response	Submission has no major errors related to citations, grammar, syntax, or organization	Submission has significant errors related to citations, grammar, syntax, and organization that negatively impact readability and articulation of main ideas	Submission has critical errors related to citations, grammar, syntax, or organization that prevent understanding of ideas	10
Earned Total				