

## Rubric for Writing Assignment #2

### [5 pts] Define and summarize the specific psychological process, behavior, or phenomenon.

(2 pts) Correctly identifies the focus of the article

(1 pt) Sufficiently explains all relevant psychological concepts and definitions

(2 pts) Accurately describes why the psychological process, behavior, or phenomenon may differ between groups according to theory.

### [5 pts] Identify the features of the groups/cultures

(2 pts) Identifies if groups are from different *countries*

(2 pts) Identifies if groups are from different *subcultures or communities*

(1 pt) Describes all other characteristics distinguishing the groups

### [5 pts] Describe the findings

(2 pts) Identifies whether or not the psychological process, behavior, or phenomenon significantly differs between the groups

(1 pt) Identifies which behaviors or responses were measured

(2 pts) Describes how the behaviors or responses differ (or fail to differ) between groups

### [5 pts] Explain the findings

(2 pts) Uses psychological theories to explain why the groups do or don't differ

(2 pts) Describes the unique life experiences, backgrounds, or prior learning that presumably accounts for the observed findings

(1 pts) Explains how limitations or other factors may have influenced the results of the study

### [10 pts] Writing effectively

(1 pt) Logical flow of ideas – order and content of paragraphs provide a coherent narrative.

(2 pts) Proper spelling, grammar, and syntax

(3 pts) Proper format, correct length, **APA-style** References section

(2 pts) Proper citation of all in-text references to external information

(2 pts) No quotes and no heavy paraphrasing.

\*Total: 30pts