**Leadership Interview & Analysis**

Required Length:  **6 pages**(does not include cover page or questions and answers)

Interview a leader you admire about his or her personal best leadership experience and complete a write-up of the interview.  The following are suggestions on which you can build as you complete your write up for the interview.

Students will be required to **interview** and **analyze** the leadership style of specific leaders and submit a written summation of findings.  Paper will be 6-8 pages in length with APA format.  Q&A should be stapled to the back of the paper and this does not count toward the page length requirement.

**QUESTIONS**

1.     What is your background, in terms of experience and education?

2.     How would you define leadership?

3.     How did you learn and develop your own leadership style?

4.     What is your personal philosophy of leadership?  What makes a person a good leader?

5.     Can you give me an example of someone who is alive today that you think is a great leader?  Who do you consider to be a great leader?

6.     What has been your most beneficial learning experience in regard to developing leadership?  How did it shape you and form your leadership mindset?

7.     What skills do you think a leader must possess?  What skills have you acquired that have been most helpful to you as a leader?

8.     How would you characterize your style of leadership?

9.     Who do you consider to be great leaders? Why? Who have been influential people for you in terms of leadership?

10. What makes them great in your opinion?

11. Would you describe yourself as a leader? Why or why not?

12. Is leadership learned OR are people born as a “leader”?

13. What do you think is the most difficult aspect of being a leader?

14. What are some of the most important lessons about leadership that you have learned?

15. What advice would you offer for leaders of the future?

16. Tell me about your career path and career decisions.

**OUTLINE HEADINGS:**

**LEADER INTRODUCTION**

       Describe the leader's personality.

       What leadership traits, does the leader possess?

**EXAMPLES OF LEADERSHIP IMPACT**

       What impact does this leader have on those around them? (Hint: Do they accomplish the goals that they set out to achieve).

**LEADERSHIP SKILLS**

**DESCRIPTION OF THEIR LEADERSHIP**

       Based upon the book, what are the leader’s strengths and weaknesses?

**CHALLENGES OF LEADERSHIP**

**LEADERSHIP LESSONS**

**LEADERSHIP ADVICE**

**SUMMARY**

        Would you want to work for them? Why or why not.

***Important Information Regarding Written Assignments***

       Assignments are to be prepared in Word or other word processor and should include your **name, date, and section number** on the front page, upper right-hand corner.

       Assignments are to be formatted with one-inch margins on all sides and double-spaced.

       Use **only** 12-point Arial font and **use a cover page.**

       **Assignments presented in any other format will have an automatic reduction of one letter grade for the assignment.**

       Avoid the use of first person in your writing.  Instead, use “This writer believes…” or “This researcher found…” to indicate your opinions.

       Avoid contractions in formal writing.

       Do not begin sentences with “So,” “But,” “However,” “And.”

       Do not plagiarize. I reserve the right to use the Turnitin software to check for plagiarism.

       When using outside sources, use a sourcing format consistently within the paper (APA, MLA, Turabian).

       Use spell check and grammar check – spelling errors cost 5 points each.

       Do not write in a “familiar” tone. All of your papers should be written in an academic context, even when your opinion is expressed.

       This is a graduate level course and assignments will be graded accordingly.  It is expected that the student will use proper English grammar, spelling, and punctuation. Spelling and grammatical errors will have an adverse effect on assignment grades