

Unit 2: Historical, Legal, and Ethical Issues

Students will create a PowerPoint presentation consisting of 10-15 slides (not including the cover slide and reference slide) that looks at the issues of the development of psychology in the field of law enforcement and the legal, ethical, and professional issues caused by incorporating psychologists into law enforcement. In addition to the text book, students will need to find and incorporate at least two credible research sources into this Assignment.

The Assignment should address the following topics:

1. Explain the historical development of psychology as it is applied to law enforcement and how the role of psychology has evolved. Be sure to focus on how its role has changed over the years and how it has affected law enforcement.
2. Analyze the professional issues caused by incorporating psychologists into law enforcement through examining standard policy regarding confidentiality for a police psychologist. Be sure to address the various roles of the psychologist in handling records, in being a counselor versus evaluator, and in providing assistance during critical incident debriefing.
3. Investigate the legal issues regarding police psychology. Include the background and purpose of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the role of forensic psychological testing in law enforcement and the issues that these two areas may raise for police psychologists.
4. Examine the ethical issues that may arise from incorporating psychologists into law enforcement. What are some ethical guidelines must a police psychologist abide by? Why is it important to abide by these guidelines?

Directions

- Your 10-15 slide requirement is excluding your title, introduction, and reference slides.
- Use one basic slide design and layout.
- Limit slides to between 6 and 8 lines of content.
- You may use pictures, charts and graphs to supplement your material as long as they do not take up the entire slide
- Use bullets for your main points.
- Use speaker notes to fully explain what is being discussed in the bullet points as though you are presenting to an audience.

Access the Writing Center for tips on how to create PowerPoint presentations.

The PowerPoint Assignment should follow APA format and contain proper grammar and punctuation. The Assignment is due at the end of Unit 2 and should be submitted to the Dropbox titled Unit 2: Assignment 2.

Checklist for Unit 2 Assignment

<i>Criteria: Ask yourself the following questions.</i>	Yes	No
Content		
Did you identify four of the ways psychology has developed within the field of law enforcement?		
Did you explain in detail four ways psychology has developed within the field of law enforcement?		
Did you identify legal, ethical, and professional issues caused by incorporating psychologists into law enforcement?		
Did you apply legal, ethical, and professional issues caused by incorporating psychologists into law enforcement?		
Did you analyze legal, ethical, and professional issues caused by incorporating psychologists into law enforcement?		
Did you identify reasoning of perspectives on ethical issues as an example of decision-making that uses consequential, non-consequential or a virtue ethics methodology?		
Research		
Did you incorporate at least two credible sources beyond the text material in this presentation?		
Did you discuss how you evaluated the credibility of these resources?		
Did you cite your sources?		
Is your research current ?		
In addition to the textbook, did you locate and cite enough information to support your position?		
Quality		
Is the content accurate and correct ?		
Did you identify and discuss your sources to accurately and comprehensively discuss the topic?		
Did you present the material in a clear and concise manner to provide easy readability?		
Format		
Did you prepare your Assignment as a PowerPoint Presentation ?		
Did you meet the Assignment's length requirement ?		
Did you use APA format to cite your sources?		
Did you check your document for grammar and spelling ?		
Did you label your file correctly?		