



## **CJ 650 Module One Journal Guidelines and Rubric**

**Overview:** In this journal assignment, you will answer questions about public safety and its importance to society.

The journal assignments in this course are private between each student and the instructor. Approach these activities as (a) an opportunity to reflect upon and apply what you learn each week based on any assigned readings, discussions, and activities, and (b) an opportunity to share your knowledge and expertise based on your educational and professional experiences in the past. As a successful professional, you will need good reflective and writing skills, and journal activities offer you the opportunity to further develop these skills.

**Prompt:** For your journal assignment, select a public safety agency (law enforcement, corrections, probation, etc.) and then address the following:

**I. Mission and Vision**

- a) What are the mission and vision of this public safety organization?

**II. Organizational Goals**

- a) What are the current goals and objectives?
- b) How do the mission and vision drive the organizational goals?
- c) What services does the organization provide to meet these goals?

**III. Importance of Public Safety**

- a) What makes this public safety organization important in our society?

For help, reference the textbook and resources for this module. This assignment will help prepare you for Milestone One: Draft of Organizational Strategy Proposal.

### Rubric

**Guidelines for Submission:** Submit assignment as a Word document with double spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font, and one-inch margins. Articulate your insights and ideas in a professional manner. Use language appropriate to the industry and company, providing annotations to clarify as necessary (e.g., use of company-specific acronyms). Include citations and references in APA format where appropriate.

Critical Elements	Evident (100%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
<b>Mission and Vision</b>	States the mission and vision of the identified organization	Does not state the mission and vision of an identified organization	25
<b>Organizational Goals</b>	States the goals and objectives of the organization and how the mission and vision drive these goals, identifies services used by the organization to meet these goals, and utilizes specific examples to illustrate points	Does not state the goals or objectives and how they are connected to the mission and vision or the services the organization provides	25
<b>Importance of Public Safety</b>	Identifies the importance of the public safety organization, includes reasons, and utilizes specific examples to illustrate importance	Does not identify the importance of the public safety organization, include reasons, or utilize specific examples to illustrate importance	25
<b>Writing Mechanics</b>	Assignment is free of major errors of grammar and organization, or errors are marginal and rarely interrupt the flow	Assignment contains major errors of grammar or organization	25
<b>Total</b>			<b>100%</b>