

## **Feedback: Collaborative Discussion 2 – Research Methods and Professional Practice – Michael Geiger**

Hi Students,

Thank you for your posts on the online hub for Units 7,8 and 9 relating to the CLQ 2 formative.

The following feedback is not aimed at any one student and provides a cross-section feedback to support everyone with formative/summative content and contexts, as follows:

- There are some well constructed posts showing pros and cons of the required discussion
- Use standard font at all times for in text discussion for formative/summative no need for italics
- Some posts are showing extensive reference lists and this is positive as this denotes that cross-sectional deeper research is taking place regarding content
- Ensure that citation takes place in every paragraph, this includes formative as you are engaging in academic discussion. The golden rule is where facts are stated citation should take place. This approach again also underpins broad research and develops the opportunity for an appropriately extensive list of references
- Where possible use references that have a specific date as opposed to ND

- Pay full attention to the University of Essex Harvard Referencing guidance to ensure accurate Harvard Referencing in all instances
- Keep paragraphs relatively evenly weighted
- Some good key observations drawn from research in some instances
- Ensure that references in the List of References are in alphabetical order in all instances
- Listing points in formative is permitted to a certain extent but where possible use full academic sentences and paragraphs for discussion. In summative avoid listing and use full sentences and paragraphs in all instances
- Break sentences up appropriately, avoid long sentences and use punctuation appropriately. Don't use hyphens, colons and semi-colons to break up sentences. Use full stops and where appropriate commas
- When using speech marks, only use these to denote quotes, and don't use them to highlight words. If using a quotation cite immediately after

I hope these comments are helpful,

With best wishes

Karen