**Comparison Paper for Ethics & Values**

Due Date: December 10, 2022

(75 points for the paper)

Here are the general guidelines for your paper:

* Double-space the text of your paper and use the font of Times New Roman. The font size should be 12 pt.
* Leave only one space after periods or other punctuation marks.
* Set the margins of your document to 1 inch on all sides.
* The paper should be between**1250 to 1750 words or five-to-seven pages in length**.
* You do not need a title page for your paper.
* In the upper left-hand corner of the first page, list your name, the course name, and the date. Again, be sure to use double-spaced text.
* Double space again and center the title. Do not underline, italicize, or place your title in quotation marks; write the title in Title Case (standard capitalization), not in all capital letters.
* Double space between the title and the beginning of the essay.
* Submit it by the due date on canvas.

*We know that when you live your life on a daily basis in a way that is congruent with your own examined sense of who you are and what you want to accomplish in life, and in harmony with your core values, then you will live a happier, more joyful life. You will be able to meet life’s challenges and difficult moments with greater self-confidence, emotional resilience, cheerfulness, and love. But you need to clarify your own sense of vision, purpose, and values.*

For this paper assignment, you will need to first answer the prompts below and then interview a person from a different background than you: someone with different culture, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, or religious background. This should be a person with whom you don’t regularly “hang out,” often because of these differences. Ask them to respond to the same prompts. In your paper you need to compare their responses with how you responded. Address the similarities and differences between how you and they responded. In your conclusion, be sure to briefly state the significant learnings you can take-away from this comparison essay for how you may better care for the other.

1. Name three to four character traits (courage, honesty, generosity, etc.) you want to acquire in your life. How do you understand each trait? Why is each trait important to you? Explain how each trait will help you possess happiness regardless of what happens in your life. (Vision)
2. Name three accomplishments you hope to achieve in your life. Be as specific as possible: how will you know you’ve achieved them. What must you do today and this year to achieve each goal? How will each achievement contribute to your overall sense of happiness and wellbeing? How will each achievement better help you serve others, community, and the world? What are some obstacles you’ll face in achieving your goals and how will you respond to each obstacle in order to achieve your purposes? (Purpose)
3. In your life when faced with difficult moral choices in pursuit of your sense of vision and purpose how will you decide what the right thing to do is? What criterion or criteria for goodness will you appeal to in order to justify your choice? (Values)