

Topic 8 DQ 1

For professional writing in nursing and health care, APA style is expected. It is also expected for the remainder of your graduate program and in doctoral programs for nursing. Discuss what you have learned, or how you have improved, through completing the "APA Writing Checklist" for the course assignments and from receiving feedback from your instructors. Identify a resource in the Student Success Center or provide a helpful suggestion for classmates who are still struggling with some aspect of APA style.

Answer:

Maintaining consistency with the APA format was extremely challenging, but with practice and being able to utilize resources such as tutorials and webinars from the GCU Student Success Center in addition to having the support from the GCU librarians enable me to gain confidence while completing these course modules. Also, being able to download sample template for APA papers was a great hands-on guide that helped in eliminating some of my doubts. Some of the challenges that I had, included learning the appropriate application of running headers, as well as knowing when to apply in-text citations. My advice for students who are still struggling in this area is to utilize the Student Success Resource Center and contact the GCU librarian for help. They are also very knowledgeable and approachable and will be able to guide you in the right direction. APA design offers a foundation for efficient academic communication as it helps writers present ideas in a clear, precise, and inclusive manner (APA.org, para 1).

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