# NURS 4210 Assignment Rubric

**Week 5 Windshield Survey/Community Assessment – Day 7**

**Assignment:**

Select a potential natural or man-made disaster that could happen in your community and evaluate a local disaster plan. Write a 3- to 4-page paper about the disaster from the public health nurse’s perspective. At least 3 scholarly resources must be used in development of the paper. (See Week 4 Assignment Instructions)

**Grading Rubric:**

Review the Rubric on page 2 to guide you in writing your assignment. The Rubric is also your instructor’s guide to grading your assignment.

**Format / Template:**

Please use the Walden University. Walden templates: General templates: APA course paper template with advice (6th ed.). Retrieved from <http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/templates/general#s-lg-box-2774360>

*(Notice the webinar on using a template. Delete the abstract page in the template. This is not required for this course).*The template includes the correct font and formatting: 12 pt. Times New Roman font, double spacing, and 1 inch margins on all sides.

**\*\* Writing Checklist \*\* (at end of document)**

Review the items on the checklist to ensure that you meet the next level of expectations of AWE Checklist (Level 4000). *In particular please note new expectations for Use of evidence and Credit to Source.* Use a scholarly voice. Refer to scholarly writing websites:

<http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/scholarlyvoice>

<http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/webinars/scholarlywriting#s-lg-box-2773859>

**Submission Instructions:**

Before you submit your final assignment for grading, submit it to Safe Assign in the Week 5 Draft area of the course. Use the information provided in the Originality Report to revise your assignment. Paraphrasing and citing your sources in-text will decrease the similarity score. Click here <http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/ASCtii/ASCtiioriginality> to learn how to interpret your originality score. Revise your assignment before submitting your assignment in response to the Week 5 Assignment.

Please save your Assignment using the following naming convention: WK5Assgn+last name+first initial. In addition, use this naming convention for the title of your submission.

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| **Assignment Rubric** | | **Comments** | **Points possible** |
| **Required Content** | | | 100 |
| Described a potential local natural or man-made disaster (20 pts)  Considered system level responses to the disaster nursing response as a public health nurse. (Included information from local expert or evaluated local website. Included name of person contacted or the website address must be included in the document.) (30 pts)  Evaluated community preparedness for the disaster. (30 pts)  Offered conclusions about the community’s preparedness plan. (20 pts) |  | |
| **Use of Resources**  Writer makes use of course resources as directed in the assignment instructions. Resources are clearly identified when used. |  | | /15 |
| **Format and writing**  Writer meets all of the Academic Writing. Expectations. Paper is presented in a clean, professional format with few formatting, typographic or other errors. (AWE 4000) |  | | /15 |
| **Timeliness**  Points may be deducted for late submissions. See policy in syllabus. |  | |  |
| **Total** |  | | 130 |

**Note:** Please refer to the detailed explanation on page 3. Also, please review the AWE 4000 documents that fully address format and writing expectations.

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| **Detailed explanation of Assignment expectations** | **Exceeds Expectations** | **Meets Expectations** | **Does Not Meet Expectations** |
| **Required Content**  **100** | Writer goes into depth in addressing the issues and brings additional insights to the topic.  (91-100 pts) | Writer successfully addresses all issues and questions given in the assignment details.  (75-90 pts) | Writer does not successfully address all aspects of the assignment.  (0-74) |
| **Use of Resources**  **15** | Writer makes substantial and insightful use of resources as supporting material. May also include additional resources.  (14-15 pts) | Writer makes use of course resources as directed in the assignment instructions. Resources are clearly identified when used.  (12-13 pts) | Writer does not use required resources appropriately.  (0-11 pts) |
| **Format and Writing**  **15**  AWE  4000 | Writer meets all of the Academic Writing Expectations.  Paper is free of almost all errors, and is written in clear prose.  (14-15 pts) | Writer meets all of the Academic Writing Expectations. Paper is presented in a clean, professional format with few formatting, typographic or other errors.  (12-13 pts) | Writer does not meet basic expectations for academic writing and/or paper contains substantial errors.  (0-11 pts) |

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**Academic Writing Expectations Checklist**

**4000 level**

The items noted below are areas where you can improve. Click the links to access Writing Center resources: Notice new requirements for this level.

* Sentence-level skills

Using commas appropriately. See examples of the different [comma uses](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/punctuation/commas).  
 Ensuring that pronouns match their nouns. See this discussion of [noun-pronoun agreement](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/grammar/nounpronounagreement).   
 Proofreading for grammar, mechanics, and spelling. Read these [proofreading tips](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/writingprocess/proofreading).

* Paragraph-level skills

Focusing each paragraph on one central idea (rather than multiple ideas). See an explanation of how [topic sentences](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/paragraphs/topicsentences) work.  
 Ordering sentences logically in a paragraph. See an explanation of how the [MEAL plan](http://twp.duke.edu/uploads/assets/meal_plan.pdf) builds a strong paragraph.

* Essay-level skills

Structuring the paper (with an introduction, body, and conclusion). See an explanation of [outlining](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/writingprocess/outlining) a paper to plan organization.  
 Making an overall argument. See description and examples of [thesis statements](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/writingprocess/thesisstatements).  
 Using transitions to guide the reader and show relationships. See a guide to [transitional phrases](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/paragraphs/transitions).

* Awareness of audience and discipline

Writing in an academic voice. See the different facets of an appropriately formal [tone](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/scholarlyvoice/tone).

Formatting the paper according to APA style guidelines. See [the course paper template](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/templates/general) for correct margins, spacing, font, and more.

* Use of evidence

Using readings, statistics, or data to effectively support a claim. See examples of [integrating evidence](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/evidence/integrate) in a paper.

Avoiding quotes. If used enclosing direct quotes in quotation marks. Read about the purpose of [quotation marks](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/punctuation/quotationmarks).

Paraphrasing to avoid plagiarizing the source. See [paraphrasing strategies](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/evidence/paraphrase/effective). (Paraphrase rather than quote -no more than one quote)

Use the most [current evidence](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/assignments/nursing) (usually ≤ 5 years old).

* Credit to source

Using in-text citations appropriately. See examples of [citations](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/apa/citations/intextparenthetical) in APA style.

Setting up your reference list at the end of the paper or discussion post. See this [reference list overview](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/apa/references).

Formatting the reference entries according to APA style. See common [reference examples](http://academicguides.waldenu.edu/writingcenter/apa/references/examples) here.