

Psychology Written Communication Rubric

	Capstone 3	Milestone 2	Benchmark 2
Context of and Purpose for Writing <i>Includes considerations of audience, purpose, and the circumstances surrounding the writing task(s).</i>	Demonstrates a thorough understanding of experimental context, scientific purpose, and of the assigned task(s) for a professional audience.	Demonstrates adequate consideration of the experimental context, scientific purpose, and of the assigned task(s).	Demonstrates awareness of the experimental context, scientific purpose, and of the assigned task(s).
Content Development	Integrates appropriate and relevant theory, content, and experimental results to communicate mastery of scientific concepts.	Uses appropriate and relevant theory and content to communicate advanced scientific concepts and interpret experimental results.	Uses appropriate and relevant content to communicate simple scientific concepts and experimental results.
Disciplinary Conventions <i>Formal and informal rules inherent in the expectations for writing in particular forms and/or academic fields</i>	Demonstrates detailed attention to and successful execution of convention particular to discipline and writing task(s) including organization, content, presentation, formatting, and APA writing style.	Demonstrates consistent use of important conventions particular to discipline and writing task(s) including organization, content, presentation, formatting, and APA writing style.	Follows expectations appropriate to the discipline as outlined in specific tasks for basic organization, content, presentation, and APA style formatting.
Sources and Evidence	Demonstrates skillful use of scholarly sources to thoroughly support hypotheses and conclusions.	Demonstrates consistent use of data and other credible sources to support hypotheses and conclusions.	Demonstrates an attempt to use data and other credible sources to support hypotheses and conclusions.
Control of Syntax and Mechanics	Uses appropriate technical language that skillfully communicates meaning with clarity and fluency, and is virtually error-free.	Uses appropriate technical language that generally conveys meaning with clarity and minimal errors.	Uses language that generally conveys meaning with clarity, although writing may include some errors.