FEEDBACK TUTORIAL LETTER

1st SEMESTER 2019

ASSIGNMENT 1

GROUP DYNAMICS & COMMUNICATION
GDC611S
Dear Student

I have just finished marking your assignments and it is my pleasure to write you this letter aimed at updating and giving you feedback with regards to the general comments I have about Assignment 1 and especially pointing out where you need to improve so that you can excel. Hence, this Feedback letter serves to highlight some of the pleasing things I witnessed in Assignment 1, encourage you as you’re going to be preparing for Assignment 2. What I need to highlight from the onset is that all of you tried to respond to the demands of the questions; for some the answers were quite exhaustive but for others the answers failed to address the question demands. I could tell that some of you did not understand the assignment questions.

I looked positively at each assignment and considered each one on its individual merits. The aim is to challenge you and also give you more direction so as to be fully conversant with some of the aspects that will make you appreciate the course Group Dynamics & Communication.

I noticed that most you:

- Some of you are still subscribing to the last minute rule of doing assignment in a rush.
• More than 50% of you simply just copied and pasted from misleading online sources
• Your work was not neatly aligned
• Did not follow the prescribed font size of (size) 12

Remember that, wide reading and researching around the area of study is a true mark of scholarship. It is not enough to simply decide to do the assignment and then you just grab the study guide and Tutorial letter and in an hour’s time scribble what comes to you. Hence, for a student to hurriedly go over an assignment in a few minutes is a practice of frustration that does not bear fruits at all. Therefore you are encouraged to take time on the assignments and prepare before writing. Please note that this also applies for the examination. Taking note of the fact that time is a non-renewable resource; you are particularly advised to read the different topics in your study guide many times so as to master the different formats.

A single reading of a topic will never suffice – it is grossly insufficient. Read each topic closely for four or more 3 times, taking notes and writing your own summaries. This will also help you when it comes to exam revision. The overall performance is impressive although there were some disappointments. You are also welcome to write your comments at the back of the assignment booklet so that I can hear from you with regards to the assignment, either what you enjoyed or the challenges you met.

You’re strongly encouraged to contact me on 081 288 1219 in case you do not understand the assignment question, or struggling to start with you assignment.

We hope that these comments will be put into effect.

Regards,

Mr. C Matengu