CCP3 APPLICATION ESSAY QUESTIONS RUBRIC

| CRITERIA | EXCELLENT | PROFICIENT | NEEDS IMPROVEMENT | UNSATISFACTORY |
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| ORGANIZATION Logical structure and flow. | Logical, coherent flow of ideas. Effective use of paragraphs and transitions. Strong introduction and conclusion. | Mostly logical flow of ideas. Paragraphs are well-structured. Clear introduction and conclusion. | Some issues with flow & transitions. Inconsistent paragraph structure. Weak or underdeveloped introduction/conculsion. | Disorganized, hard to follow. Poor or missing paragraph structure. Missing or ineffective introduction/conclusion. |
| GRAMMAR Accuracy and attention to detail in language use, including punctuation and spelling | Error free in grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Uses a variety of sentence structures. Consistently follows academic style. | Few minor errors in grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Uses appropriate sentence structures. Mostly follows academic style. | Noticeable errors that affect readability. Limited sentence variety. Inconsistent academic style. | Frequent errors that impede understanding. Repetitive or awkward sentence structures. Fails to follow academic style. |
| CLARITY & STYLE Ease to which the main points are conveyed. | Writing is clear, engaging, and concise. Effective word choice enhances meaning. Consistent tone for academic writing. | Generally clear and readable. Adequate word choice, but not always precise. Mostly maintains an academic tone. | Writing is sometimes unclear or awkward. Word choice is basic or inappropriate. Inconsistent or inappropriate tone. | Writing is confusing or difficult to read. Poor word choice impedes understanding. Tone is informal or unprofessional. |
| ADHERENCE TO GUIDELINES Addressing all aspects of the assigned question. | Addresses the prompt at a superior level. Gives strong details & personal insights. Demonstrates a deep understanding of the topic. | Meets the threshold for addressing prompt, giving supporting details and shows a good understanding of the topic. | Addresses the prompt, but does not go into detail or depth. Limited supporting examples. | Does not address the prompt and/or does not describe specific actions. Shows little understanding of the topic. |