## **ADVANCED HEALTH POLICY ELECTIVE:**

## **WRITING ASSIGNMENT GRADING RUBRIC**

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*Executive Summary and Conclusion* (4 points)

Includes a one-paragraph executive summary with a brief overview of issues and recommendations and a conclusion summarizing the main points.

*Problem Description* (4 points)

The problem is identified and includes research and facts to make the case comprehensive and concise.

*Options and Recommendations* (6 points)

Describes two or three policy options with recommended policy. Research is cited for the option selected and follows from evidence and reason. Plausible counterarguments for the selected option and potential consequences are considered.

*Audience* (2 points)

Written with a specific audience and reader’s needs in mind and considers the policymaker’s interests and obligations.

*Organization, Style, Mechanics* (3 points)

Well organized with well-constructed paragraphs, transitions, and subheadings. Sentences are well written and with varied structures. No grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors.

*Sources* (1 point)

A minimum of three and a maximum of five high-quality courses are included and correctly formatted.

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## TOTAL: 20 points