Critical Thinking Assignment: For RTE101 Spring 2017 Application Process

Candidates may receive up to 5 points for this component of the application process. This assignment is one of three components of the application process in which applicants can earn points. Candidates must complete & submit this assignment by the application deadline along with the other required documents for the application process.

1. The assignment:
   ✓ Title your document “Shoe Tying”
   ✓ Compose the assignment:
     ▪ Create instructions explaining how to tie a shoe.
     ▪ Instructions are not limited to text only.

2. Invalid assignments: Invalid assignments will not be evaluated and all other application will not be processed.
   ✓ Anonymity: The applicant’s name should appear NOWHERE on this assignment.
     ▪ Assignments with the candidate’s name appearing on it will be considered invalid. Candidate may apply the following year if so desired.
   ✓ Proper Identification:
     ▪ Place your Aims I.D. number in the upper right corner of EACH page you submit:
     ▪ Submissions that do not contain your Aims I.D. number on EACH page will be considered invalid. Candidate may apply the following year if so desired.
   ✓ Authenticity: The expectation is that candidates work ALONE on this assignment and submit original work. Candidates may NOT work together and submit identical assignments or even variations of the same assignment. Each scenario is considered cheating and the assignment will be deemed invalid. Candidates will not be considered for entry into RTE101 or the program. Candidates will not be allowed to apply in the future.
     ▪ Identical assignments will be deemed invalid immediately.
     ▪ Submission of variations of the same assignment will be thoroughly investigated and taken to the dean. A meeting will be held with each candidate involved, the evaluators, and the dean. If it is decided that variations of the same assignment were indeed submitted the candidate’s application will be deemed invalid at that time.
   ✓ Plagiarism is considered cheating. If it is suspected that candidates have plagiarized, a thorough investigation will be conducted. A meeting will be held with the candidate, the evaluators, and the dean. If it is decided that the assignment was plagiarized the assignment will be deemed invalid at that time. Candidates will not be allowed to apply in the future.

3. Candidates will be graded on the following:
   ✓ Length of instructions: Candidates will be evaluated on appropriate balance of clarity and length of instructions. In other words, both extraneous and insufficient information can impair one’s ability to understand instructions.
   ✓ Professional appearance of assignment
   ✓ The assignment must be double spaced.
   ✓ Grammar
   ✓ Ability to follow instructions
   ✓ Interpretation of assignment
   ✓ Development of a strategy
   ✓ Clarity of explanations
   ✓ Thoroughness of explanations
   ✓ Validity/Outcome of solution (solution works)