

PRM 220

Historical Profile Assignment

Objective: This is meant to test your ability to think critically using ideas and concepts covered in the reading thus far. Integrate theories and concepts by using your degree of understanding to appropriately connect historical examples to concepts from the reading.

 Remember to read the directions carefully and review the rubric before you start writing or researching!

Directions: Identify a significant leader in parks, recreation or leisure services. Write a paper which describes their contributions to the profession. **Refer to the reading for some ideas on character choices.** Use information from the reading and from doing on-line research on this person. I need you to connect concepts from class—especially from Module 4—to this person's life to see your depth of understanding and ability to think critically. Please consider addressing some of the following if you want to earn full credit:

- Did they support contemporary leisure thought during their time in history, did they evolve it, or did they question/challenge it? Explain how/why using ideas from reading.
- How were their ideas different or similar to how most people were thinking about leisure? Reference different recreational values of the time.
- What movement were they a part of, and at what level of recreation management?
- What era of leisure history did this person live in? What was it about that time in history that made this person a successful influence in the world of Recreation and Leisure?
- Could you apply any previous “learnings” to their ideas (motivation theories, philosophies, leisure education, etc.)?

The paper must be a minimum of 500 words and adhere to all APA formatting. Please refer to the assignment rubric for more details. Be sure to include your complete references ([APA guidelines](#)) at the end of the paper.

Hints:

- Be sure to organize your paper into sections: intro (short), body (with various themes), and a conclusion (short).
- Give a title/heading to each transition in content. (Example: intro, body, conclusion).
- Practice your in-text citations.
- Carefully review the example paper and its formatting.