Critical Thinking Assignment #2

Your assignment is to write a 2-3-page paper (double-spaced, 1” margins, 12 pt. font) in which you apply a critical thinking approach to examining an experience that you have had this semester. Following is a list of possible experiences from which to choose:

- Roommate conflict
- Planning an activity for a student organization
- Leading a meeting for a student organization
- Conflict within a student organization
- Evaluating a job offer
- Attending a diversity event sponsored by a student organization
- Utilizing campus resources to decide on a major
- Participation in a community service activity
- Participation in the Greek recruitment process
- Working at your part time job
- Deciding about involvement with faith activities
- Deciding about involvement with the use of substances
- Deciding about involvement with sexual activity
- Deciding about involvement with political activities
- Involvement with a team (collegiate, club, intramurals)
- Involvement with a performance ensemble

The choice of topic is up to you but please recognize that this paper should reflect a relatively deep analysis of the situation for which critical thinking is necessary.

You should apply the following criteria of a critical thinking approach as you write your paper:

- Summarize the problem, question, or issue
- Consider context and assumptions
- Communicate your own perspective, hypothesis, or position
- Analyze supporting data and evidence
- Use other perspectives and positions
- Assess conclusions, implications, and consequences

The attached rubric describes these aspects of the paper and indicates level of accomplishment, from 1 = “emerging” to 6 = “mastering.” This is the rubric that your instructor may use to evaluate your writing.

Please write your WID number and your class day and time on your paper. Turn in both a hard copy of your paper and an electronic copy (either in the KSOL Drop Box for your class or email it to your recitation instructor).