The ethical issues confronting organizations and their employees are often neither straightforward nor easily resolved. The latent result of unethical conduct by professionals and the impact of ethics upon organizations can be devastating to employees and the organization’s reputation. Therefore, it is incumbent on organizational leaders to assess their organization’s standards of ethics in an effort to be proactive and identify areas in need of improvement.

# Week 1 Assignment: Analyze Ethical Issues

## Instructions

Begin by selecting an organization that you either work for or are interested in learning more about. Then, in a critical analysis of the organization's ethical practices and personal reflection, address the following:

* Describe the standards of ethics and integrity within your chosen organization. Explain how you arrived at these conclusions and determined the organization's standards of ethics.
* Explain why shaping the ethical climate is one of an organizational leader's most important tasks.
* Indicate five steps leaders can take to prevent and control destructive behaviors.
* Explain the difference between organizational compliance and organizational integrity. Identify which elements must be part of any effort to improve organizational integrity.
* Are you a cultural relativist or do you believe in universal ethical standards? Defend your position.

Support your analysis and reflection with at least five scholarly resources. In addition to these specified resources, other appropriate scholarly resources, including older articles, may be included.

Length: 5-7 pages, not including title and reference pages

Your paper should demonstrate thoughtful consideration of the ideas and concepts presented in the course by providing new thoughts and insights relating directly to this topic. Your response should reflect scholarly writing and current APA standards.