Directions

For this discussion, you are required to post responses to one of the discussion prompts below. For all posts make sure you use proper spelling, grammar, punctuation, word choice, and sentence construction. Ensure that you proofread before your finalize your posts.  Keep in mind that we do have a spell-check feature in the discussion forum that is enabled and allows students to modify feature to allow for the correction of any mistakes in initial post and comments to classmates. *Be sure to use academic sources and cite the sources properly in APA format.*

At the discretion of the instructor, points will be taken off any response that does not fulfill all of these goals. Late points will be deducted according to the standard late submission policy.

* **Initial Post (20 points)** The initial post should respond to ***one***of the discussion prompts below. The response should be at **least 200 words**. The first post is due by    
  The initial post should:
  + Summarize the discussion topic and cite the concept
  + Synthesize previous course material and/or current lesson resources (readings, Power Points, websites, etc.)
  + Advance or create a position. The positions should be supported with an example; or experiences to illustrate your point clearly and concisely.

Unit Discussion Topic

1. Discuss the questions and concerns that emerge regarding the practice of contracting with private, for-profit organizations to operate correctional facilities.