

Ethics and Accountability in Public Sector Leadership

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Abstract. This article examines the critical role of ethics and accountability in public sector leadership, with a focus on enhancing institutional trust and performance. Through a comprehensive review of literature and case studies, the study identifies key ethical challenges and accountability mechanisms that influence leadership effectiveness. The findings highlight the importance of ethical leadership in fostering a culture of integrity and transparency within public institutions. The article concludes with practical recommendations for cultivating ethical values and accountability frameworks in public administration, thereby improving governance outcomes and citizen trust.

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Introduction: In the realm of public administration, ethical leadership and accountability are fundamental pillars that underpin effective governance and institutional integrity. This article explores the intricate relationship between ethics and accountability, emphasizing their significance in public sector leadership. By analyzing various case studies and theoretical frameworks, the research sheds light on the ethical dilemmas and accountability mechanisms that impact leadership effectiveness. The primary objective is to offer insights into fostering a culture of integrity and transparency in public institutions. Additionally, the study provides practical guidelines for leaders seeking to enhance ethical standards and accountability in their organizations.\n [This is a preliminary version. To read the full version of the article, please purchase a subscription.](#)

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