

Discussion Rubric

The discussion forum represents class participation and is required for all students. Students are graded on how active they are within a class largely by their discussions. *(Be sure to follow the Discussion Guidelines and/or instructors' format, found in your online class.)*

Discussion Assignments Grading Criteria

(Points will vary dependent upon course criteria.)	0 points (less than 23 words)	25% of overall points (23-48 words)	1/2 of total points (49-74 words)	Maximum total points (75-100 words)
Quality of posting	No initial response to prompt. No response to classmates. Postings are not relevant to the questions posed.	Reply with initial response to prompt by Thursday/Friday's deadline. No response to classmate. Postings reflect the reading and some outside source material but outside source material not cited.	Reply to initial prompt by Thursday/Friday's deadline. Responds to at least one classmate. Postings reflect the reading and some outside source material but outside source material not cited.	Reply to initial prompt by Thursday's deadline. Responds to at least two classmates by Sunday's deadline. Postings reflect the readings and outside information (as applicable) with proper outside source material citation. Limited grammatical errors/typos/mechanics.
Quality of reply	Response not relevant to original posting	Response relevant to posting but lacks student's position.	Response relevant to posting but fails to support position.	Response relevant to posting and supports position with factual information.
Understanding of reading and outside source material	Responds to the question posted but does not mention materials from the readings.	Responds to the question posted and makes reference to readings.	Responds to the question posted and makes reference to readings.	Responds to question posted and demonstrates understanding of material and outside source material (as applicable) and properly cites information.

Note: Late initial posting will result in minus 5 points per day late. Remember to check for grammatical, typo, or mechanical errors in your post.

[Use the word count of each row to determine students' points.]