

Discussion Board Rubric

(Each criterion must be at least Satisfactory to complete this assessment)

Criteria	No Participation	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Exemplary	Notes
Ideas, Arguments & Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ideas expressed lack depth or are general in nature and/or occasionally may not be relevant. Summarizes ideas from course content but with limited to no analysis, original thought, and/or supported arguments. Minimal connections made to course content (readings, lectures, etc.), others' postings, real-life experiences and/or contemporary topics.	<input type="checkbox"/> Ideas expressed are mostly substantive, relevant and indicate some original thought. Provides synthesis of ideas across course content. Viewpoint is supported with evidence and/or examples. Moderate insights and connections made to readings, others' postings, real-life experiences, and/or contemporary topics.	<input type="checkbox"/> Ideas expressed include original thought, substantial depth, and are relevant to topic. Well-developed viewpoint showing strong logical thinking, reasoning, and analysis with evidence and examples. Construction of new meaning and insights. Strong connections made to readings, others' postings, real-life experiences, and/or contemporary topics.	
Required Postings/Timeliness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Some required postings missing by deadline and/or there was not adequate time for others to read and respond to postings prior to deadline.	<input type="checkbox"/> All required postings by deadline (required = 1 posting + 2 replies to classmates); adequate time for others to read and respond prior to deadline.	<input type="checkbox"/> Exceeds required postings; postings are early into the discussion and throughout the discussion; provides more than enough time for classmates to read and respond prior to deadline.	
Writing Quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Posts show a below average/poor writing style in terms of appropriate standard English writing style, clarity, language used, and grammar. Several errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation, and usage.	<input type="checkbox"/> Posts show above average writing style using standard English with little grammar, punctuation, and spelling errors.	<input type="checkbox"/> Posts are well written and clear using standard English, characterized by elements of a strong writing style and basically free from grammar, punctuation, and spelling errors.	