

Discussion Forum Participant Grading Rubric

Total points possible: 40

Post Type	Unacceptable/Poor (0-7 Points)	Emerging/Good (8-11 Points)	Excellent (12-15 Points)
<p>2 Initial Posts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each worth up to 15 points – 2 X 15 = 30 • Due Thursday 	<p>No post within the allotted timeframe</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Post is less than 100 words; post is weak with scant or no course references; multiple types and/or poor sentence structure</p>	<p>Post is between 100 and 149 words; thoughts are moderately articulated but course references are not strong; writing is not well constructed; some types or awkward sentence structure (does not appear to be proof-read)</p>	<p>Each post is at least 200 words; it reflects thoughtful/creative/insightful argument; Includes direct course reference, including APA citation; writing is coherent and organized with good grammatical structure</p>

Post Type	Unacceptable/Poor (0-1 Points)	Emerging/Good (2-3 Points)	Excellent (4-5 Points)
<p>2 Response Posts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worth up to 5 points each – 2 X 5 = 10 • Due Sunday 	<p>No response posted</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Post is rude or inappropriate</p>	<p>Response is not well constructed or does not add to the discussion, e.g., “totally, I agree” without supporting reasons; response repeats original post instead of building upon it..less than 50 words</p>	<p>YOU MUST ADD SOMETHING TO THE DISCUSSION (not repeat); Post is at least 50 words each; it is respectful and thoughtful; it builds on the original post; does NOT say the same thing the posts right above it say; it is well written</p>