

DISCUSSION RUBRIC

Objective/Criteria	Below Average	Acceptable	Meet Expectations	Model Learner
Promptness and Initiative	(1 point) Does not respond to most postings. Rarely participates freely.	(2 points) Responds to most posting several days after the initial discussion. Little or no initiative.	(3 points) Responds to postings within a 48 hour period. Requires occasional prompting to post.	(4 points) Responds to postings within a 24 hour period. Demonstrates good self-initiative.
Delivery of Post	(1 point) Uses poor spelling and grammar. Postings appear to be hasty.	(2 points) Errors in spelling and grammar evidenced in several postings.	(3 points) Mostly uses correct grammar and spelling with only minor errors.	(4 points) Consistently uses grammatically correct posts with little or no misspellings.
Relevance of Post	(0 points) Postings do not relate to the weekly discussion content. Posts are irrelevant to the topic.	(2 points) Occasionally posts off topic. Most posts do not offer further insight into the topic.	(4 points) Most posting are related to the discussion topic and prompt further discussion of topic.	(5 points) Consistently provides model posting related to the discussion topics, prompting further discussion, and cites references.
Expression within Post	(0 points) Does not express ideas/opinions clearly.	(2 points) Ideas/Opinions are vaguely connected to the topic.	(4 points) Ideas/opinions are usually stated clearly and connections can be found to topic.	(5 points) Expresses ideas/opinions clearly and makes obvious connections to the topic.
Learning Community Contribution	(1 points) Little or no effort is made to participate in the development of the community.	(2 points) Marginal effort made to become involved in community or group.	(4 points) Frequently directs the discussion and presents viewpoints. Interacts freely.	(5 points) Consistently provides leadership and creativity by engaging and motivating the community.