

DISCUSSION RUBRIC

Criteria	Levels of Achievement			
	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Outstanding
Initial Post	0 Points Didn't post to the discussion board.	1 Point Post meets at least one criteria of the assignment. Superficial thought and preparation doesn't address all aspects of the assignment.	3 Points Post addresses aspects of the assignment; but lacks full development of concepts.	4 Points Post is well developed and addresses all aspects of the assignment.
Follow Up Posts	0 Points No follow-up responses to others.	1 Points Posted one response. Posts shallow contribution to discussion (e.g., agrees or disagrees); does not enrich discussion.	3 Points Posted two responses. Elaborates on an existing posting with further comment or observation.	4 Points Met the required number of responses. Demonstrates analysis of others' posts; extends meaningful discussion by building on previous posts.
Content Contribution	0 Points Posts information that is off-topic, incorrect, or irrelevant to discussion.	1 Points Repeats but does not add substantive information to the discussion.	3 Points Posts information that is factually correct; lacks full development of concept or thought.	4 Points Posts factually correct, reflective and substantive contribution; advances discussion.
Clarity & Mechanics	0 Points Posts long, unorganized or rude content that may contain multiple errors or may be inappropriate.	1 Points Communicates in friendly, courteous and helpful manner with some errors in clarity or mechanics.	2 Points Contributes valuable information to discussion with minor clarity or mechanics errors.	3 Points Contributes to discussion with clear, concise comments formatted in an easy to read style that is free of grammatical or spelling errors.