



Discussion Board Rubric

Active participation in each discussion is rewarded with points provided you: post on time; clearly demonstrate that you read and understood assigned material; make valuable contributions to the posts made by other students; post contributions without grammar & mechanical errors.

Rubric:

	<i>Inadequate</i>	<i>Below expectations</i>	<i>On par with an average student</i>	<i>Excellent</i>
Assessment	0	0.5	1	2
Timeliness and Quantity of contributions	No posts	Posts on time, but fewer than the minimum number of postings (minimum is 2: original post and at least one reply).	Posts on time and met the minimum number of postings (minimum is 2: original post and at least one reply).	Posts on time and exceeded the required minimum number of postings (original post and at least one reply); further posts enriched discussion and offered enhanced understanding of material.
Grammar & mechanics	A lot of imperfections (more than 5), unclear writing, difficult to understand.	Less than 5 errors in spelling and grammar, message is clear.	Grammatically correct, rare misspellings (max 3), easy to read.	Grammatically correct, no misspellings, very easy to read.
Relevance to theory / Application of assigned reading(s)	Postings reflect no evidence of assigned readings.	Somewhat clear that readings were read and understood by incorporation into postings. At least one concept from assigned reading incorporated.	Very clear that readings were read and understood by incorporation into postings. At least two concepts from assigned reading incorporated into posts.	Very clear that readings were read and understood by incorporation into postings. At least three or more concepts from assigned reading material incorporated into posts.
Relevance to life/ work experience	Makes no application of material to personal/professional experience.	Applies material to personal/professional experience but lacks clarity.	Clearly applies material to personal/professional experience.	Uses material to deeply reflect on personal/professional experience and provides evidence for future application.
Responsiveness to group discussion	No evidence that any other postings have been read/Unwitting repetition of questions or points made by others.	At least one point from one other participant clearly built upon/refuted in postings.	Multiple points from multiple participants clearly built upon/refuted in postings.	Multiple points from multiple participants clearly built upon/refuted in postings.