**Discussion Board Forum Grading Rubric**

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| **Criteria** | **Levels of Achievement** |
| **Content 70%** | **Advanced**  | **Proficient** | **Developing** | **Not present** |
| **Content** | **33 to 35 points**All key components of the Discussion Board Forum prompt are answered in the thread. The thread has a clear, logical flow. Major points are stated clearly. Major points are supported by good examples or thoughtful analysis. | **30 to 32 points**Most of the components of the Discussion Board Forum prompt are answered in the thread. The thread has a logical flow. Major points are stated reasonably well. Major points are supported by good examples or thoughtful analysis. | **1 to 29 points**The Discussion Board Forum prompt are addressed minimally. The thread lacks flow or content. Major points are unclear or confusing. Major points are not supported by examples or thoughtful analysis. | **0 points**Not present  |
| **Structure 30%** | **Advanced** | **Proficient** | **Developing** | **Not present** |
| **Grammar, Spelling, and APA Formatting** | **11 points**Spelling and grammar are correct. Sentences are complete, clear, and concise.Paragraphs contain appropriately varied sentence structures. Where applicable, references are cited in current APA format. | **10 points**Spelling and grammar has some errors. Sentences are presented as well. Paragraphs contain some varied sentence structures. Where applicable, references are cited with some current APA formatting. | **1 to 9 points**Spelling and grammar errors distract. Sentences are incomplete or unclear. Paragraphs are poorly formed. Where applicable, references are minimally or not cited in current APA format. | **0 points**Not present |
| **Word Count** | **4 points**Minimum word counts of 400 words in the thread and 200 words for each of the 2 replies are met or exceeded. | **3 points**Minimum word counts of 300–399 words in the thread and/or 100–199 words for each of the 2 replies are met.  | **1 to 2 points**Minimum word counts of 1–299 words in the original thread and/or 1–99 words in 1 reply are met. | **0 points**Not present  |