

# Course Participation Instruction

Course Participation is worthy for **8 points of your final grade**. You will be expected to participate in discussion forums. To receive full credit for these discussions, the postings must be substantive responses such as "good idea," or "interesting point," while appreciated as general feedback to your classmates, **will not be considered substantive responses**. Substantive responses are those that extend the discussion, elaborate on points others have made, etc. In addition to the two topic-based discussions, you will also earn points by helping your fellow students with their questions, serving as a subject in the formative evaluation process, and completing a reflection survey regarding course activities at the end of the semester.

## 1. Required Topics Discussion:

The detailed instruction of each discussion topic will be posted as locked messages on the top of the topic discussion board. Each discussion topic is worth 1 course point. In each topic, you have to make at least two substantive messages (one contribution of your own idea and one reply to others' message) to earn the point.

**Topic 1.** Validation (due by June 29<sup>th</sup>)

**Topic 2.** Good example/bad example of the websites (due by July 6<sup>th</sup>)

## 2. Help for Unit Reading and Mini Projects:

You are encouraged to help each other by answering the questions that posted by your classmates in the unit discussion board. **Note:** Asking for instructors or your fellow students' feedback cannot be counted as a valid question in unit discussion board. One meaningful question or one substantive reply is worth 0.5 course point. You can earn no more than 1 course point in one unit. The maximum points you can receive in Unit Discussion are 3 course points.

## 3. Subject for Evaluation (Final Project: Evaluation Report):

At the end of the semester, you will be expected to serve as a subject of formative evaluation for your fellow student's final project. Feel free to ask others to be your subject for completing your evaluation report. One thorough review is worth 1 course point. You can earn no more than 2 course points.

## 4. Post-class Reflection:

At the end of the semester, you will be expected to fill out a self-reflection. The submission of completed self-reflection is worth 1 course point.

## Due Date for Participation Tasks

Participation Tasks	Possible Points	Due Date
Discussion Topic 1	1	June 29 <sup>th</sup>
Discussion Topic 2	1	July 6 <sup>th</sup>
Help for Unit Assignments	0.5~3	Throughout the semester
Subject for Evaluation	1~2	July 27 <sup>th</sup>
Post-class Reflection	1	August 2 <sup>nd</sup>