

Discussion Board Rubric

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Criteria	A (90-100) Outstanding	B (80-89) Proficient	C (70-79) Basic	D/F (0-69) Below Expectations
Critical Thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rich in content full of thought, insight, and analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> substantial information thought, insight, and analysis has taken place 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> generally competent information is thin and commonplace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rudimentary and superficial no analysis or insight is displayed
Connections	Clear connections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to previous or current to real-life situations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> new ideas or connections lack depth and/or detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> limited, if any connections vague generalities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> no connections are made off topic
Uniqueness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> new ideas new connections made with depth and detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> new ideas or connections lack depth and/or detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> few, if any new ideas or connections rehash or summarize other postings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> no new ideas "I agree with..." statement
Timeliness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All required postings Early in discussion Throughout the discussion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All required postings Some not in time for others to read and respond 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All required postings Most at the last minute without allowing for response time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some, or all, required postings missing
Stylistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few grammatical or stylistic errors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Several grammatical or stylistic errors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obvious grammatical or stylistic errors Errors interfere with content 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obvious grammatical or stylistic errors Makes understanding impossible