

PHIL 330 Critical Thinking and Logic Discussion Post Rubric

Overview

Your active participation in the discussions is essential to your overall success this term. Discussion questions will help you make meaningful connections between the course content and the larger concepts of the course. These discussions give you a chance to express your own thoughts, ask questions, and gain insight from your peers and instructor.

Directions

For each discussion, you must create one initial post and follow up with at least **two response posts to other student discussion posts**.

For your **initial post**, do the following:

- Write a post of at least 500 words.
- Use proper APA citation methods when referencing scholarly or popular sources.

For your **response posts**, do the following:

- Reply to at least **two** classmates outside of your own initial post thread.
- **Demonstrate more depth and thought in your response/writing, than simply saying things like “I agree” or “You are wrong,” without further analysis.**

Critical Elements	Exemplary	Proficient	Needs Improvement	Not Evident	Value
Comprehension	Develops an initial post with an organized, clear point of view or idea using rich and significant detail (20 Points)	Develops an initial post with a point of view or idea using adequate organization and detail (18 Points)	Develops an initial post with a point of view or idea but with some gaps in organization and detail (15 Points)	Does not develop an initial post with an organized point of view or idea (0 Points)	20
Timelines	N/A Submits initial post on time (5 Points)	Submits initial post on time (5 Points)	Submits initial post one day late (2 Points)	Submits initial post two or more days late (0 Points)	5
Engagement	Provides relevant and meaningful response posts with clarifying explanation and detail (15 Points)	Provides relevant response posts with some explanation and detail (13 Points)	Provides somewhat relevant response posts with some explanation and detail (10 points)	Provides response posts that are generic with little explanation or detail (0 Points)	15
Writing (Mechanics)	Writes posts that are easily understood, clear, and concise using proper citation methods where applicable with no errors in citations. (10 Points)	Provides relevant response posts with some explanation and detail (8 Points)	Provides somewhat relevant response posts with some explanation and detail (5 Points)	Provides response posts that are generic with little explanation or detail (0 Points)	10

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