

DQ Grading Criteria – 15 points each week

Requirements:

- 1. Initial post for DQ assigned**
 - a. posted by 1159 PM ET Tuesday
 - b. Current authoritative response with APA formatting for references and citations
 - c. must be 250-300 words
 - d. answers the assigned DQ
- 2. Substantive responses**
 - a. Two responses to be posted by 1159 PM ET Thursday
 - b. must be 100-120 words
 - c. related to the concept/content
 - d. moves the discussion forward with appropriate responses referenced
 - e. posted over at least 3 separate days during the DQ week

Grading: The maximum weekly discussion participation points is 15.

Criteria	Under performance <12	Meets 12-12.3	Proficient 12.6-14.2	Distinguished 14.3-15
Initial post to assigned DQ is 250 – 300 words, correctly referenced, and answers what the question is asking.	<p>Point Range: 0-4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missing initial DQ post* • Initial post is less than 200 words. <p>*0 points for > two days late</p>	<p>Point Range: 4.6-4.9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Late initial DQ post* • Does not cover the assigned DQ • Initial post is less than 200 words. <p>*1 point deduction for DQ post two days late.</p>	<p>Point Range: 5-5.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Late initial DQ post* • Consistent in responding to assigned DQ • At least 250 words <p>*.5 point deduction for DQ post one day late.</p>	<p>Point Range: 5.7-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial DQ post on time • Post responds to assigned DQ • Initial post(s) are 250-300 words
Substantive responses associated with the topic/concept which moves the discussion forward.	<p>Point Range: 0-6.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤ 3 additional substantive responses • Responses posted over < 3 separate days • Maximum posts for consideration are two on one day 	<p>Points: 6.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Late initial DQ response* • 4 additional substantive responses • Responses posted over < 3 separate days • Maximum posts for consideration are two on one day <p>*1 point deduction for DQ response two days late.</p>	<p>Point Range: 6.3-7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Late initial DQ response* • 5 additional substantive responses • Responses posted over 3 or more days • Maximum posts for consideration are two on one day <p>*.5-point deduction for DQ response one day late.</p>	<p>Point Range: 7.1-7.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial DQ response posted on time • 6 or more additional substantive responses • Responses posted over 3 or more days • Maximum posts for consideration are two on one day
APA formatting of references and citations.	<p>Points: 0</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • References/citations for posts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Missing o Greater than 5 years old o From non-authoritative sources o > 4 different APA errors o Substantive responses not referenced 	<p>Points: 1.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • References/citations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o > 3 different APA errors o Substantive responses not referenced 	<p>Point Range: 1.3-1.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • References/citations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 2-3 different APA errors o At least one substantive response referenced 	<p>Points: 1.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • References/citations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 0-1 APA errors o At least one substantive response referenced