

Requirements:**1. Initial post for DQ assigned**

- posted by 1159 PM ET Tuesday
- Current authoritative response with APA formatting for references and citations
- must be 250-300 words
- answers the assigned DQ

2. Substantive responses

- Two responses to be posted by 1159 PM ET Thursday
- must be 100-120 words
- related to the concept/content
- moves the discussion forward with appropriate responses referenced
- 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.	Point Range: 0-4.7 - Initial post is less than 200 words. - Quality &/or quantity of references poor 3 point deduction for > two days late or missing	Point Range: 4.8 - Does not cover the assigned DQ - Initial post is less than 200 words. - Quality &/or quantity of references adequate. 2 point deduction for 2 days late	Point Range: 4.9-5.5 - Does not cover the assigned DQ in its entirety - At least 250 words - Appropriate quality &/or quantity of references 1 point deduction for 1 day late	Point Range: 5.6-5.8 - Post responds to assigned DQ in its entirety - Initial post(s) are 250-300 words - Appropriate quality &/or quantity of references
Substantive responses associated with the topic/concept which moves the discussion forward	Point Range: 0-5.9 ≤ 3 additional substantive responses - Responses posted - Over less than 3 - separate days - Maximum posts for consideration are two on one day Response posts are not appropriately referenced 3 point deduction for response i> two days late or missing	Points: 6.0 4 additional substantive responses - Responses posted - Over 3 or more days - Maximum posts for consideration are two on one day Response posts are appropriately referenced 2 point deduction for response if 2 days late	Point Range: 6.1-6.9 5 additional substantive responses - Responses posted - Over 3 or more days - Maximum posts for consideration are two on one day Response posts are appropriately referenced 1 point deduction for response if 1 day late	Point Range: 7.0-7.2 6 or more additional substantive responses - Responses posted - Over 3 or more days - Maximum posts for consideration are two on one day Response posts are appropriately referenced
APA formatting of references and citations.	Points: 0-1.1 - References/citations for posts - Missing >n 5 years old - From non-authoritative sources > 4 different APA errors Reference errors not corrected	Points: 1.2 References/citations format with > 3 different APA errors References ≤ 5 years old Some reference errors corrected	Point Range: 1.3-1.5 References/citations format with 2-3 different APA errors References ≤ 5 years or old Reference errors corrected	Points: 1.6-2 References/citations format with 0-1 different APA errors References ≤ 5 years or old