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| **Criteria** | **Advanced (3)** | **Proficient (2)** | **Novice (1)** | **Points** |
| **Discussion Participation and Timeliness** | Over the course of the session, student participates in the discussion on ***at least 3***different days.  All required posts are posted before the end of each session. | Over the course of the session, student participates in the discussion on ***at least 2***different days.  All required posts are posted before the end of each session. | Over the course of the session, student participates in the discussion on ***at least 1***different day.  All required posts are posted before the end of each session. |   |
| **Initial Post****Timeliness** | Initial Post is posted within the first 1-2***days*** from ***the session***start. | Initial post is posted on DB within the first ***3 days*** from ***the session*** start. | Initial Post is posted on DB within the ***first 4 days*** from the session start. |   |
| **Initial Post Quality** | **Student submits initial post** in which:*1.*   Student responds to the guiding questions/discussion prompts by synthesizing information from course texts;*2.*   Student***cites at least 3 specific points from the text(s).*** | **Student submits initial post** in which:*1.* Student responds to the guiding questions/discussion prompts by synthesizing information from course texts;*2.* Student***cites at least 2 specific points from the text(s).*** | **Student submits initial post**in which:*1.* Student respond0s to the guiding questions/discussion prompts by synthesizing information from course texts;***2.*** Student***cites at least 1 specific point from the text(s).*** |   |
| **Questions  posed** | Over the course of each sessions’ discussions, student raises***at least 3 original, insightful questions***, based upon course texts and discussion content. | Over the course of each sessions’ discussions, student raises***at least 2 original, insightful questions***, based upon course texts and discussion content. | Over the course of each sessions’ discussions, student raises***at least 1 original, insightful question***, based upon course texts and discussion content. |   |
| **Response Quality** | *1.* Student’s responses build upon other learners’ perspectives/questions to deepen the discussion.*2.* Student posts at least ***4 or more responses to other learners,*** supported by evidence from course texts, and*3.* Student offers at least ***1 additional relevant text or website.*** | *1.* Student’s responses build upon other learners’ perspectives/questions to deepen the discussion, and*2.* Student posts ***at least 3 or more responses to other learners***, supported by evidence from course texts. | *1.* Student’s responses build upon other learners’ perspectives/questions to deepen the discussion, and*2.* Student posts ***1 or more responses to other learners***, supported by evidence from course texts. |   |
| **Connections** | Connections to self as a teacher/student/ learner were made in ***at least 3 posts.*** | Connections to self as a teacher/ student/ learner were made in ***at least 2 posts*** | Connections to self as a teacher/ student/ learner were made ***in at least 1 post.*** |   |
| **Writing Style and Composition** | ***All*** posts are written with correct grammar, punctuation, spelling, and sentence structure. | ***Most (≥50%)*** posts are written with correct grammar, punctuation, spelling, and sentence structure. | ***Few (< 50%) posts*** are written with correct grammar, punctuation, spelling, and sentence structure. |   |
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