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Overview

Your active participation in the discussions is essential to your overall success this term. Discussion questions will help you larger concepts of the course. These discussions give you a chance to express your own thoughts, ask questions, and gain in

Directions

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

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

- Write a post of 1 to 2 paragraphs.
- In Module One, complete your initial post by Thursday at 11:59 p.m. Eastern.
- In Modules Two through Eight, complete your initial post by Thursday at 11:59 p.m. of your local time zone.
- Consider content from other parts of the course where appropriate. Use proper citation methods for your discipline v

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

- Reply to at least **two** classmates outside of your own initial post thread.
- In Module One, complete your two response posts by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. Eastern.
- In Modules Two through Eight, complete your two response posts by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. of your local time zone.
- Demonstrate more depth and thought than saying things like "I agree" or "You are wrong." Guidance is provided for yc

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Criteria	Exemplary	Proficient	Needs Impro
Comprehension	Develops an initial post with an organized, clear point of view	Develops an initial post with a point of view or idea using	Develops an initial point of view or ide

	organized, clear point of view or idea using rich and significant detail (100%)	point of view or idea using adequate organization and detail (85%)	point of view or idea some gaps in organization and detail (55%)
Timeliness	N/A	Submits initial post on time (100%)	Submits initial post (55%)
Engagement	Provides relevant and meaningful response posts with clarifying explanation and detail (100%)	Provides relevant response posts with some explanation and detail (85%)	Provides somewhat response posts with explanation and detail
Writing (Mechanics)	Writes posts that are easily understood, clear, and concise using proper citation methods where applicable with no errors in citations (100%)	Writes posts that are easily understood using proper citation methods where applicable with few errors in citations (85%)	Writes posts that are understandable using citation methods where applicable with a few errors in citations (55%)



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