

**HUM206**  
**Weekly Discussions Rubric**

	Needs Work	Competent	Excellent
<b>Initial Posting</b> <b>1-5 points</b>	Post less than two initial replies to the various threads. Posts are adequate assignment with superficial thought and preparation; doesn't address all aspects of the task.	Posts an initial reply to two threads. Posts are well developed and address all aspects of the task; however, lack full development of concepts.	<b>Posts an initial reply to at least one "viewing" thread as well as another discussion thread.</b> The posts are well developed and fully address all aspects of the discussion prompt.
<b>Follow-Up/Response</b> <b>1-5 points</b>	Posts shallow contribution to discussion (e.g., agrees or disagrees); does not enrich discussion. Posts two or less follow-up responses.	Elaborates on an existing posting with further comment or observation. Posts at least <b>two</b> follow-up/responses.	Demonstrates analysis of others' posts; extends meaningful discussion by building on previous posts. Posts at least <b>three</b> follow-up/responses.
<b>Relevance of Post</b> <b>1-5 points</b>	Occasionally posts off topic. Most posts do not offer further insight into the topic.	Most posting are related to the discussion topic and prompt further discussion of topic.	Consistently provides model posting related to the discussion topics, prompting further discussion, and cites references.
<b>Delivery of Posts</b> <b>1-5 points</b>	Ideas/Opinions are vaguely connected to the topic. Uses poor spelling and grammar. Postings appear to be hasty.	Ideas/opinions are usually stated clearly and connections can be found to topic. Mostly uses correct grammar and spelling with only minor errors.	Expresses ideas/opinions clearly and makes obvious connections to the topic. Consistently uses grammatically correct posts with little or no misspellings.
<b>Learning Community Contribution</b> <b>1-5 points</b>	Marginal effort made to become involved in community or group.	Frequently directs the discussion and presents viewpoints. Interacts freely.	Consistently provides leadership and creativity by engaging and motivating the community