

## Discussion Board Rubric

Assignment Description: You will be required to respond to **2 proposed questions**. Your responses should be thoughtful and include a critical analysis of the topic thread. For each of your answers, you should also cite evidence to support your answer. References can come from existing course material; this can be lectures, the course texts, or other supporting literature. Any references included need to be cited in APA format, and the full citation needs to be listed at the end of your response. See page 3 for an example. **You will also need to reply to one fellow student response for each proposed question you've answered.** Replies to other student responses can include whether or not you agree with their submitted answer or questions that further engage in the topic based on the evidence they supplied. All responses should be respectful. Discussion board participation will be graded separately per question answered, and the grading expectations and full rubric is provided below.

Each discussion board assignment is worth 10 points total (5 points per question) and will contribute to the total class participation for the course.

### Response Example

I agree with the question of ..... because according to research on the genetic factors related to .... there is suggestive evidence of ..... (Truong et al., 2019). Further I think...

Truong, D. T., Adams, A. K., Paniagua, S., Frijters, J. C., Boada, R., Hill, D. E., ... & Gruen, G.R. (2019). Multivariate genome-wide association study of rapid automatised naming and rapid alternating stimulus in Hispanic American and African–American youth. *Journal of Medical Genetics*, 56(8), 557-566.

Grading Criteria	0	.5	1	1.5
Directly attempts to answer the question	Doesn't answer the question independently or gives a short answer (for example, I agree and repeats the question)	Does give a clear response related to topic thread	N/A	N/A
Substantive post	Doesn't answer the question independently or gives a short answer (for example, I agree and repeats the question)	Does give a clear response related to the topic thread but doesn't respond fully address each piece of the topic	Does give a clear, coherent, and thoughtful response to thread topic	N/A
Critically thinking about the question	Attempts to answer the question but the post is very general	A general response, little review of the material and no broad connections to course content	Provides information that shows that thought and analysis have taken place but the connections are less clear	Make connections to course content, post contains rich and fully developed ideas and demonstrates a critical review of the material to be able to answer the topic question
Cites one reference (book, class, or other literature)	A reference is mention to listed evidence but doesn't properly provide APA citation	Provides a reference to listed evidence and properly provides APA citation	N/A	N/A
Active Engagement in Discussion board	Does not respond to any other posts	Responds to one other post but doesn't contribute or elicit further discussion	Responds to another post, and their response is thoughtful and elicits further discussion	N/A
Discussion board etiquette	Doesn't respectfully respond to others' posts in the topic thread	Is respectful and considerate of others' posts	N/A	N/A