Participation Grading Rubric				
Underdeveloped	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
or				
No Participation	1 Point	2 Points	3 Points	4 Points
0 Points				
No comments or Comments are: Personal Off topic Comments that: Simply state agreement or disagreement without explanation	Recall information from the text or discussions Demonstrate knowledge of major ideas (i.e. list, describe, or label previously stated ideas – do not build on existing information)	 Comments that: Compare and contrast ideas from course content with real world examples Interpret facts Infer causes by integrating course content Summarize or interpret existing ideas 	 Identify separate components Identify patterns Use information from course content to solve a problem Recognize hidden meanings 	 Comments that: Compare and discriminate between ideas Assess value of theories in real world situations Make choices based on reasoned arguments from course content Use old ideas to create new ones Relate knowledge from several areas Predict or draw conclusions for real world situations based on course content

Students earn up to four points for overall WEEKLY effort, including discussion questions and other main forum discussion posts.