**Discussion Board Forum Thread Grading Rubric**

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| **Criteria** | **Levels of Achievement** |
| **Content [28 points]** | **Advanced** | **Proficient** | **Developing** | **Not present** |
| **Key Components** | **11 to 12 points**All key components of the Discussion Board Forum prompt are answered in the thread providing a thoughtful analysis (analyzing implications, and comparing/contrasting concepts). | **8 to 10 points**Most of the key components of the Discussion Board Forum prompt are answered in the thread providing a thoughtful analysis (analyzing implications, and comparing/contrasting concepts). | **1 to 7points**Less than 50% of the key components of the Discussion Board Forum prompt are answered in the thread and/or an analysis is included without sufficiently considering relevant implications and/or does not adequately/accurately provide a comparison of the relevant concepts. | **0 points**The key components of the Discussion Board Forum prompt are not answered in the thread. |
| **Major Points** | **8 points**At least 3 pertinent examples are included (conceptual and/or personal). | **6 to 7 points**At least 2 pertinent examples are included (conceptual and/or personal). | **1 to 5 points**Only 1 pertinent example is included (conceptual and/or personal). | **0 points**No examples are included (conceptual and/or personal). |
| **Research Support** | **8 points**All of the following required sources are included in the thread:* The required course textbook
* Biblical integration
* At least 2 scholarly sources
 | **6 to 7 points**One of the following required sources are missing in the thread:* The required course textbook
* Biblical integration
* Scholarly source #1
* Scholarly source #2
 | **1 to 5 points** Two-three of the following required sources are missing in the thread:* The required course textbook
* Biblical integration
* Scholarly source #1
* Scholarly source #2
 | **0 points**Three or more of the following required sources are missing from the thread:* The required course textbook
* Biblical integration
* Scholarly source #1
* Scholarly source #2
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| **Structure [12 points]** | **Advanced** | **Proficient** | **Developing** | **Not present** |
| **Spelling & Grammar** | **4 points**There are no spelling or grammatical errors in the thread. | **3 points**There are 1-2 spelling or grammatical errors in the thread. | **1 to 2 points**There are 3-6 spelling or grammatical errors in the thread. | **0 points**There are at least 7 spelling or grammatical errors in the thread. |
| **Word Count** | **4 points**300-500 words are included. | **3 points**250-299 words are included. | **1 to 2 points**200-249 words are included. | **0 points**Less than 200 words are included. |
| **APA** | **4 points**There are no APA errors in the thread. | **3 points**There are 1-2 APA errors in the thread. | **1 to 2 points**There are 3-4 APA errors in the thread. | **0 points**There are at least 5 APA errors in the thread. |