## **Nursing Discussion Rubric**

Criteria		Pts			
Quality of Initial Post	10.0 pts Expert Initial post fully addresses all aspects of the discussion. It is an excellent discussion of course readings or other resources, if appropriate.	8.0 pts Competent Initial post addresses most aspects of the discussion. It is a good discussion of course readings or other resources, if appropriate.	5.0 pts Developing Initial post addresses part of the discussion or assigned readings. It is a minimal discussion of course readings or other resources, if appropriate.	O.0 pts Not Acceptable Initial post minimally addresses discussion. There is no discussion of course readings or other resources, if appropriate OR no initial posting submitted.	10.0 pts
Critical Thinking	10.0 pts Expert The posting demonstrates excellent critical thinking skills through multiple examples and ideas. It includes many personal or professional experiences.	8.0 pts Competent The posting demonstrates adequate critical thinking through some examples and ideas. It includes some personal or professional experience.	5.0 pts Developing The posting demonstrates minimal critical thinking with minimal examples and ideas. It includes minimal personal or professional experience.	0.0 pts Not Acceptable The posting does not demonstrate critical thinking. It does not include personal or professional experience.	10.0 pts
Quality of Response Postings	10.0 pts Expert Responses are highly reflective, insightful, and add to the discussion in a meaningful way.	8.0 pts Competent Responses are reflective, insightful, and add to the discussion.	5.0 pts Developing Responses are minimally reflective or insightful. They do not significantly add to the discussion in a meaningful way.	0.0 pts Not Acceptable Responses consist of one or two words that add nothing to the discussion OR no response postings submitted.	10.0 pts
Organization and Technical Aspects of All Posts	10.0 pts Expert Information is exceptionally well organized; spelling and	8.0 pts Competent Information is well organized; 1-2 spelling and/or grammar	5.0 pts Developing Organization is scattered; 3-5 spelling and/or grammar	0.0 pts Not Acceptable Information is not well organized; more than 5 spelling	10.0 pts

	grammar are correct and complete sentences are used. Proper citations are effectively used.	mistakes are evident. Complete sentences are used. Proper citations are used.	mistakes are evident. Some incomplete sentences are used. Citations are used.	and/or grammar mistakes are evident. Incomplete sentences used. No citations OR no postings submitted.			
Posting Quantity and Timeliness	Initial posting and at least three quality responses are made prior to the due date listed.	8.0 pts Competent Initial posting and at least two quality responses are made prior to the due date listed.	5.0 pts Developing Initial posting and at least one quality response are made prior to the due date listed.	O.0 pts Not Acceptable Some or all postings (including initial post) are made after the due date listed.	10.0 pts		
Total Points: 50.0							