

# BIO 102 General Discussion Guideline

*This guideline applies to all discussions in this course.*

Category	Requirements
<b>Content Knowledge</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion posts fully address the prompts specific to that assignment and display a thorough understanding of the required readings and underlying concepts including correct use of terminology.</li></ul>
<b>Timely Contributions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Original posts early in the week with 3-4 replies to other students and the instructor well distributed throughout the period.</li></ul>
<b>Quality</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion posts actively stimulate and sustain further discussion by building on peers' responses including building a focused argument around a specific issue or asking a new related question or making an oppositional statement supported by personal experience or related research.</li><li>• Discussion posts are respectful and consistent with "netiquette" guidelines.</li><li>• Free of grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors</li></ul>
<b>References</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Posts integrate an outside resource, or relevant research, to support important points.</li><li>• Well-edited quotes are cited appropriately.</li></ul>