Instructions for the Open Enrollment Online Discussion Board Assignment:

Online Discussion Boards, also called “threaded discussions,” allow students to participate in course discussions with fellow class members and the course professor. The Discussion Board is asynchronous, meaning that the students do not have to be online at the same time to respond to posted activity. Blackboard organizes the Discussion Board into “forums.” There is a forum for each question in which you are required to respond and reply to other students.

The goal of Discussion Boards is to promote reflection and analysis and to help students learn to appreciate and evaluate positions that others express. Discussion Boards provide students an opportunity to learn from other classmates. Postings stay on the Discussion Board for an extended period of time to allow students to gain knowledge and insight from faculty and peers.

Students are required to complete each discussion board before the course completion deadline. Students are encouraged to respond to faculty and other students’ discussion board submissions.

When commenting to a professor or fellow student posting, your response must be substantial and meaningful. Your comment should add value to the discussion and cannot be limited to “Good point” or “I agree.” An appropriate comment elaborates on the topic, offers further explanation, or offers an informed point of debate.

Graduation Rubric for Discussion Boards: The Online Discussion Board Assignment will be graded based on the following rubric. To view the rubric, click the link below.

Grading Rubric

For more detailed information please click the links below:

How do I respond to a Discussion Board Question?

How do I post my comment to a Discussion Board Response?