

CLASS INFORMATION:

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COURSE OVERVIEW:

In the West, Arab and Muslim women are typically viewed as voiceless and oppressed and Islam and Arab culture are often cited as the reason for their supposed oppression. Like all forms of prejudice, however, this perception is rooted in the eye of the beholder more than in any intrinsic features of Arab and Islamic cultures. Although, like other societies, Arabs and Muslims have several forms of patriarchy, this makes them neither more nor less oppressive of women than others.

To address these complexities, this course follows two strategies. First, it explores the roots and motives of the stereotypes attached to Arabs and Muslims and assesses the impact of these stereotypes and the policies they inspire on Arab and Muslim women. Second, it examines the historical, economic, political, and social factors that shape women's experiences and gender relations in the Arab world. Through the study of social institutions and structures and the legacies of individual women, students will gain more nuanced and critically informed appreciation of gender relations in the Arab world.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Students who complete this course successfully should be able to:

Demonstrate competence in the theory of Orientalism



- Identify, describe, and analyze key elements, biases, and influences that shape views about Arab and Muslim women in the West
- Demonstrate a critical familiarity with the Arab world's history and geography
- Explain and analyze the historical, cultural, economic, political, and social factors and processes that shape Arab women's experiences
- Describe, discuss, and assess the legacies of key female Arab figures
- Describe and explain social institutions, structures, and processes that shape gender roles and relations in the Arab world.

UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG OBJECTIVES FOR GENERAL EDUCATION AND LEARNING OUTCOMES:

This course confers General Education credit for Writing (W), Humanities (H), International (N), and Social and Behavioral Sciences (S).

Writing Description

The Writing Requirement (WR) ensures students both maintain their fluency in writing and use writing as a tool to facilitate learning. The writing course grade assigned by the instructor has two components: the writing component and a course grade. To receive writing credit a student must satisfactorily complete all the assigned written work and earn a minimum grade of C (2.0) for the course. It is possible to not meet the writing requirement and still earn a minimum grade of C in a class, so students should review their degree audit after receiving their grade to verify receipt of credit for the writing component.

Humanities Description (H)

Humanities courses provide instruction in the history, key themes, principles, terminology, and theory or methodologies used within a humanities discipline or the humanities in general. Students will learn to identify and to analyze the key elements, biases and influences that shape thought. These courses emphasize clear and effective analysis and approach issues and problems from multiple perspectives.

Humanities SLOs



- Identify, describe, and explain the history, underlying theory and methodologies used in the course (Content).
- Identify and analyze key elements, biases and influences that shape thought within the subject area. Approach issues and problems within the discipline from multiple perspectives (Critical Thinking).
- Communicate knowledge, thoughts and reasoning clearly and effectively (Communication).

International Description (N)

International courses provide instruction in the values, attitudes and norms that constitute the culture of countries outside the United States. These courses lead you to understand how geographic location, development level and geopolitical influences affect these cultures. Through analysis and evaluation of your own cultural norms and values in relation to those held by the citizens of other countries, you will develop a cross-cultural understanding of the rest of the world.

International SLOs

- Know the values, attitudes and norms that shape the cultural differences of peoples who live in countries other than the United States.
- Know the roles of geographic location, development level and geopolitical influences on the lives of citizens in other countries
- Analyze and evaluate your cultural norms and values in relation to those held by citizens in other countries.

Social and Behavioral Sciences (S)

Social and behavioral science courses provide instruction in the history, key themes, principles, terminology, and underlying theory or methodologies used in the social and behavioral sciences. Students will learn to identify, describe and explain social institutions, structures or processes. These courses emphasize the effective application of accepted problem-solving techniques. Students will apply formal and informal qualitative or quantitative analysis to examine the processes and means by which individuals make personal and group decisions, as well as the evaluation of opinions, outcomes or human behavior. Students are expected to assess and analyze ethical perspectives in individual and societal decisions.

Social and Behavioral Sciences SLOs

• Identify, describe, and explain key themes, principles, and terminology; the history, theory and/or methodologies used; and social institutions, structures and processes.



- Apply formal and informal qualitative or quantitative analysis effectively to examine the processes and means by which individuals make personal and group decisions. Assess and analyze ethical perspectives in individual and societal decisions.
- Communicate knowledge, thoughts and reasoning clearly and effectively.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS:

Overview of course requirements

Read the syllabus carefully to learn about course requirements and content then **be ready to take a quiz on it in the second week of classes**.

Reading and audio-visual assignments

The typical reading load in this course tends to be one article/chapter per class session (therefore two readings for double-block sessions). If more than one article are assigned for the Thursday session they will be shorter or lighter readings. Because this is a student-centered class, these readings form the foundation of our discussions and other class activities. It is therefore crucial that you complete the readings and watch the assigned videos carefully before coming to class and that you be prepared to discuss them. The "Discussion posts" is meant to motivate and help you do this.

Discussion posts: 10% of your final grade

Discussions posts are due on the eve of class days by 11:59pm. There are two main components to this assignment:

- Summary of the article
- Your own reaction to it

The summary part consists of the <u>main thesis</u> and the <u>key ideas</u> of the article/audio-visual assignment. You may write these as bullet points or weave them into one paragraph. When there are two or more assignments you may combine your reaction to them in the same passage. This section should not exceed a half page, but it should demonstrate that you have read the article. Do not cite any section verbatim or discuss peripheral points, as this will create the impression that you merely skimmed the article.





The reaction part consists of your own reflections. The assigned materials are thought-provoking and raise meaningful and deep questions. If you read them carefully, they will lead you to rethink previous assumptions or discover previously unnoticed aspects of certain subjects. Engage with this dimension and be in conversation with the authors.

This is a "low-stakes" assignment aiming to help you to wrestle with the assigned materials and to give you credit for your effort. You will obtain full credit if your post reflects <u>clearly</u> that you have read the article carefully and given it serious thought. You do not lose points for not observing writing mechanics (spelling, punctuation, etc.), but you may lose points if there are indications that you merely skimmed the article. If you encounter some difficulties point them out and <u>explain what makes them difficult</u>; do not use this as a pretext for not turning in a thoughtful reflection. The entire assignment should not exceed one page.

Because I know there will be stressful times in the semester during which you may be unable to turn in a thoughtful assignment, your lowest three grades will be dropped.

Discussion posts should not exceed 300 words (1 page). Excessive length can hurt your grade.

Quizzes: 15% of your final grade

These are both short pop quizzes aiming mainly to evaluate your grasp of the readings and longer ones assessing your engagement with the class materials. Some of them will consist of "multiple choice" or "true or false" questions while others include essay questions. Your lowest one quiz grade will be dropped.

Section 1B12: Midterm and final: 50% of your final grade

Students in the 1B12 section will take a midterm and a final exam. A study guide for each exam will be published on Canvas one week in advance.

Midterm:25%Final:25%

Section 1B10: Writing assignments: 50% of your final grade

Section 1B10 of this course carries 2000 words that count towards the UF Writing Requirement. Students registered in this section must turn in all written work counting towards the 2000 words to receive credit for this assignment. I will evaluate and provide feedback with respect to content,



organization and coherence, argument, and support (when appropriate), style, clarity, grammar, punctuation, and other mechanics, using a published writing rubric. There will be two writing assignments of 1000 words each. For each paper you need first to submit a thesis and an annotated bibliography. Check the Writing and Submission Requirement document on Canvas.

First paper: 25% Second paper: 25%

Formal Presentations: 15% of your final grade

These are individual presentations followed by questions and answers. In these presentations you are expected to research a course-related theme and communicate your results orally in a well-structured and clear manner. In your presentation, you can either defend an original and worthwhile thesis using the theory of orientalism or provide an overview of a debate over a course-related subject. A thesis is a claim, a point of view, or an argument that should be demonstrated using well-researched data, theoretical tools, and logical analysis. An overview of a debate describes, synthesizes, and assesses various viewpoints about a given theme.

Class participation: 10% of your final grade

This is our main class activity. They include short presentations, role play, small group discussions and debates. See rubric for more details. Please note: The grades you will see in this section during the semester reflect only your work on the short presentation. These grades will be adjusted at the end of the semester to reflect your class participation.

Grade distribution at a glance:

1B10 Section				
Assignment	Percentage			
Discussion posts	10%			
Quizzes	15%			
First paper	25%			
Second paper	25%			
Presentation	15%			
Class participation	10%			



1B12 Section				
Assignment	Percentage			
Discussion posts	10%			
Quizzes	15%			
Midterm	25%			
Final	25%			
Presentation	15%			
Class participation	10%			

GRADING SCALE:

Letter Grade	Ra	inge:
Α	100 %	to 94.0%
A-	< 94.0 %	to 90.0%
B+	< 90.0 %	to 87.0%
В	< 87.0 %	to 84.0%
В-	< 84.0 %	to 80.0%
C+	< 80.0 %	to 77.0%
С	<77.0 %	to 74.0%
C-	< 74.0 %	to 70.0%
D+	< 70.0 %	to 67.0%
D	< 67.0 %	to 64.0%
D-	< 64.0 %	to 61.0%
F	< 61.0 %	to 0.0%

Attendance Policy

Attendance is mandatory and will be assessed by roll call. You may miss 3 50-minute sessions without any penalty. Students will lose 1% from their final grade for each unexcused absence. Absences will be excused in accordance with UF policy. Acceptable excuses include illness, religious holidays, & military obligation. These need to be documented excuses. Should you



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miss a class for any reason, you are responsible for informing yourself as to the material covered. Except in the case of certified illness or other UF accepted excuse, there will be no make-up option for missed exams/assignments. Where possible, make-ups should be arranged prior to absence. Alternatively, students should contact me on return to classes. Arriving late or leaving early (before class is dismissed) is considered a half absence and results in minus 0.5% from the final grade. After 15 unexcused absences (equivalent of five weeks), a student is not allowed to attend class anymore and s/he will receive a failing grade. Students who do not miss class at all will earn 5 extra-credit points toward the final exam/paper.

Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work are consistent with university policies specified at: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx

- UF student honor code, original work, and plagiarism:
- UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The Honor Code (<u>http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conducthonor-code/</u>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor in this course.
- Original thought, writing, and discussion is critical for core questions about our place in the natural world and for meaningful discussions about culture and nature. Please be thoughtful and meticulous in your citations. This video offers useful information for how to avoid plagiarism and cite appropriately. https://mediasite.video.ufl.edu/Mediasite/Play/adaa44500eaf460a84f238e6b9a558f9 If

https://mediasite.video.ufl.edu/Mediasite/Play/adaa44500eaf460a84f238e6b9a558f9 you have any questions, please ask your instructor.

- Plagiarism on any assignment will result in a 0 for that assignment. A second incident of plagiarism will result in a failing grade (E) for the course.
- Accommodations for students:
- Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, <u>www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/</u>) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation



letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

• Online course evaluation by students:

- Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner is available at https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via https://ufl.bluera.com/ufl/. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/.
- Important Student Wellness Resources:
- U Matter, We Care:
- If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu or 352 392-1575 so that a team member can reach out to the student.
- Counseling and Wellness Center:
- <u>https://counseling.ufl.edu/</u>, 392-1575; and the University Police Department:392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.
- Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)
- Student Health Care Center, 392-1161. University Police Department, 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies). <u>http://www.police.ufl.edu/</u>
- Important Academic Resources:
- E-learning technical support, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learningsupport@ufl.edu. <u>https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml</u>.
- Career Connections Center, Reitz Union, 392-1601. Career assistance and counseling. https://career.ufl.edu/
- Library Support, <u>http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask</u>. Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.
- **Teaching Center**, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. <u>http://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/</u>
- Writing Studio, 302 Tigert Hall, 846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers. <u>http://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/</u>
- Student Complaints On-Campus:



• <u>https://sccr.dso.ufl.edu/policies/student-honor-code-student-conduct-code/</u>

REQUIRED COURSE MATERIALS:

- Rajaa Alsanea, *Girls of Riyadh*, translated by Rajaa Alsanea and Marilyn Booth. (New York: Penguin, 2007)
- William Strunk Jr. and E. B. White, *The Elements of Style* (Ithaca, N.Y.: W.P. Humphrey, 1918). The first edition is available online for free at: <u>http://www.bartleby.com/141/</u>)

Tentative Course Plan:

Week 1 (Aug. 24 & 26) – The Arab World

Tuesday: Introductions and Syllabus Thursday:

- 1 b1 Dona Stewart The Middle East Today 23-48
- 1 b2 Dona Stewart The Middle East Today 49-65

Week 2 (August 31 & Sept. 2) -- Orientalism

Tuesday:

- 2_a1_Muhja Kahf_Western Representation Muslim Woman
- 2_a2_Lindsey Moore Arab, Muslim, Woman 25-33

Thursday:

- 2_b1_Maya Jaggi, review of Sarah Graham Brown's book *Images of Women: The Portrayal of Women in Photography of the Middle East, 1860-1950:* <u>https://merip.org/1991/11/graham-brown-images-of-women/</u>
- 2_b2_An Introduction to Orientalism: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1aNwMpV6bVs
- 2_b3_Orientalism and Power: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZST6qnRR1mY

Week 3 (Sept. 7 & 9) – Orientalism / foundations

Tuesday



- 3_a1_Reel Bad Arabs: <u>https://ufl.kanopy.com/video/reel-bad-arabs-how-hollywood-vilifies-people (Links to an external site.)</u> (login to your library account to gain access to this film)
- 3_a2_Linda Nochlin_The Imaginary Orient

Thursday

- 3_b1_Leila Ahmed Women and Gender in Islam_ Religion Marriage
- 3_b2_Tlili_Wives_Muhammad in History, Thought and Culture (2014) 690-694

Week 4 (Sept. 14 & 16) – Literature

Tuesday:

- 4_a1_Michelle Hartman, "Reconsidering the Ambivalent Legacy of Khansa"
- 4 a2 Renate Jacobi, "Layla al-Akhyaliyya: An Umayyad Feminist?"

Thursday:

• 4_b_Mirvat Hatem, "Aisha Taymur's Tears"

Week 5 (Sept. 21 & 23) Literature

Tuesday:

- 5_a1_1001 Nights_Frame story and first three nights
- 5_a2_*Girls of Riyadh*, chaps. 1 6 (pp. 1 42)

Thursday:

• 5_b_*Girls of Riyadh*, chaps. 7 – 13 (pp. 43 – 85)

Week 6 (Sept. 28 & 30) Literature

Tuesday:

• 6_a_ *Girls of Riyadh*, chaps. 14 – 26 (pp. 86 – 156)

Thursday:

- 6_b_*Girls of Riyadh*, chaps. 27 32 (pp. 157 187)
- Thesis and annotated bibliography for paper are due on Monday, October 4th.

Week 7 (Oct. 5 & 7) Literature

Tuesday:

• 7_a_*Girls of Riyadh*, chaps. 33 – 44 (pp. 188 – 246)

Thursday:

• 7_b_*Girls of Riyadh*, chaps., 45 – 50 (pp. 247 – end)



• The first draft of the first paper is due on Monday, October 11th.

Week 8 (Oct. 12 & 14) The elements of style/Music

Tuesday:

• 8_a_Strunk and White, The Elements of Style

Thursday:

• 8_b_Virginia Danielson_Listening to Arab Women's Voices

Week 9 (Oct. 19 & 21) Midterm/art

Tuesday:

• Midterm

Thursday:

• 9_b_Silvia Naef_Between Symbol and Reality the Image women in 20th C Arab Art

Week 10 (Oct. 26 & 28) Social life

Tuesday:

- 10_a1_Yossef Rapoport_Marriage, divorce and the gender division of property
- 10_a2_Yossef Rapoport_Working women, single women and the rise of female ribat

Thursday:

• 10_b_Randi Deguilhem_Consciousness of Self_Women and Waqf Damascus

Week 11 (Nov. 2 & 4) Politics

Tuesday:

- 11_a1_Shahla Haeri_sayyida hurra queen arwa
- 11_a2_Sjoberg and Whooley_The Arab Spring for Women Representations of Women in Middle East Politics in 2011

Thursday:

• 11_b_Lila Abu-Lughod and Rabab El-Mahdi_Beyond the Woman Question

Week 12 (Nov. 9 & 11) The veil

Tuesday:

- 12_a1_Muhja Kahf, "From Her Royal Body the Robe was Removed: The Blessings of the Veil and the Trauma of Unveilings in the Middle East"
- 12_a2_Lila Abu-Lughod, "The Muslim Woman: The Power of Images Danger of Pity"



Thursday:

• Presentations

Week 13 (Nov. 16 & 18)

Tuesday: Final exam

Thursday: Presentations

Week 14 (Nov. 23 & 25)

Tuesday: Presentations

Thursday: Thanksgiving

Week 15 (Nov. 30 & Dec. 2)

Tuesday: Presentations

Thursday: No class

Week 16 (Dec. 7)

• Wrap up

Writing Rubric

Criteria/Scale	90 - 100	80 - 90	70 - 80	Less than 70
Content	Paper focuses	Paper presents one	Paper presents	Paper does not
Pay attention	clearly on one	main idea or topic	central idea, but it	present a unified
to:	significant main	but the	is vague or too	purpose; presents
• Clarity of	idea or topic	significance is less	broad; shows	main idea but
purpose	throughout; meets	clear; meets	some evidence of	does not state it
Critical	length	length	critical, careful	precisely or
and	requirements;	requirements;	thought and	clearly; work does
original	demonstrates	demonstrates	analysis; comes	not meet length
thought	superior	good knowledge	close but does not	requirements; uses
• Use of	knowledge of	of resource	meet length	incorrect
examples	resource	documentation but	requirements; uses	documentation or
1	documentation;	may not be error	incorrect	no documentation;
	shows abundant	free; shows	documentation;	has little or no
	evidence of	evidence of	there are some	evidence of
	critical, careful	critical, careful	examples and	analysis, uses too
	analysis; provides	analysis; provides	evidence, though	few or no
	vivid and specific	good, relevant	too general or not	examples
	examples while	supporting	illustrative enough	
	focus remains	examples and		
	tight	evidence		
Structure	Maintains clear	Uses a suitable	Inadequate	Uses no
Pay attention	and logical	organizational	paragraphing with	organizational
to:	organization;	plan; contains	few transitions;	plan; paragraphs



• Paper'	demonstrates	adequate	unclear or	are unclear and
s	effective	paragraphing with	jumbled	contain no
organi	paragraphing some transitions		paragraphs;	transitions;
zation	using appropriate	that attempt to	unclear or	unclear or
• Flow	transitions with	convey	jumbled	jumbled
• Flow of	emphasis upon	relationships	sentences;	sentences;
	conveying the	between ideas.	paragraphs are	paragraphs not
thoug hts	relationship	between neas.	sometimes not	balanced in
	between ideas.		balanced in	amount of
• Transi	Paper is easy to		amount of	development and
tions	follow.		development and	-
• Forma	Ionow.		-	support.
t			support.	
Grammar	Uses correct,	Uses sentences	Exhibits some diff	Exhibits <i>multiple</i>
and	varied sentences	that are usually	iculties with:	difficulties with:
Mechanics ¹	with no errors in	correct but	fragments, person	fragments, person
Pay attention	mechanics,	sometimes	shifts, comma	shifts, comma
to:	grammar, syntax,	awkward; some	splices, in-text	splices, in-text
• Sente	or spelling.	errors in	citation	citation
nce		mechanics,	punctuation,	punctuation,
struct		grammar, syntax,	subject-verb	subject-verb
ure				-
• Punct			- · ·	± ·
uation			1 0	1 0
/mech		understanding	Ũ	other distracting
anics			features in usage.	features in usage.
Language	Uses language	Uses language	Uses language	Uses language
Pay attention	effectively:	that is adequate	that is sometimes	that is inadequate
to:	vocabulary is	but occasionally	inadequate and	and unclear;
• Use of	sophisticated and	unclear; writer's	unclear; sentences	vocabulary is
Vocab	correct; sentences	tone emerges and	may be simple,	unclear and
ulary	vary in structure	is generally	vocabulary is	repetitious; uses
• $Tone^2$	and length, uses	appropriate for	often unclear and	passive voice;
	and manipulates	intended audience,	repetitious;	diction is
	subject specific	though it may be	passive voice is	nonstandard;
	vocabulary for	uneven or	used; diction is	inconsistent voice
1	effect, tone is	inconsistent	often nonstandard;	or tone;
ure • Punct uation /mech anics Language Pay attention to: • Use of Vocab ulary	effectively: vocabulary is sophisticated and correct; sentences vary in structure and length, uses and manipulates subject specific vocabulary for	or spelling that does not affect reader understanding Uses language that is adequate but occasionally unclear; writer's tone emerges and is generally appropriate for intended audience, though it may be uneven or	agreement, works cited punctuation, spelling errors, other distracting features in usage. Uses language that is sometimes inadequate and unclear; sentences may be simple, vocabulary is often unclear and repetitious; passive voice is used; diction is	agreement, works cited punctuation, spelling errors, other distracting features in usage. Uses language that is inadequate and unclear; vocabulary is unclear and repetitious; uses passive voice; diction is nonstandard; inconsistent voice

¹ Mechanics of writing include spelling, punctuation, italics, names of persons (state a person's name fully, accurately, and as it appears in the original source), titles of works, quotations (only the most important words, phrases, lines and passages should be quoted in the research paper as briefly as possible. The researcher should put them within quotation marks if they are 50 words or less. If the quotation is more than 50 words it should be put under indent), capitalization and personal names, references

² Tones include joyful, humorous, formal, and informal. The tone of academic papers is formal.



consistent and appropriate for the intended audience.	inconsistent voice or tone; terminology is often difficult to	terminology is difficult to understand or is misused.
	understand or is	
	misused.	



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Oral presentation rubric

Criteria	90 - 100	80 - 90	70-80	60 - 70
Content: • Importance of topic • Relevance • Accuracy of facts • Overall treatment of topic	Knowledgea ble of content, includes engaging introduction, detailed body of memorable facts, topic is highly focused and relevant to the subject matter of our course, presentation contains accurate information with no errors	Topic is adequately focused and relevant to the subject matter of our course; major facts are accurate and generally complete	Topic is somewhat focused and relevant to the subject matter of our course; presentati on contains some errors or omissions	Presentation lacks focus and contains multiple errors
 Organization: Appropriate introduction, body, and conclusions logical ordering of ideas transition between major ideas 	Ideas are presented with logical order with effective transitions between major blocks;	Most ideas are in logical order with adequate transitions between major blocks; presentation	Some ideas are not presented in proper order, proper transitions are	Ideas are not presented in proper order, transitions are lacking; several parts of the presentation



	presentation is clear and concise	is generally clear and understanda ble	occasional ly lacking; some points are wordy or unclear	are wordy or unclear
Completeness: • Level of detail • Appropriate length • Adequate background information	Presentation provides good depth and detail; ideas are well developed; facts have adequate background; presentation is within specified time	Presentation provides adequate depth, few needed details are omitted; major ideas are adequately developed; presentation is within specified time	Additional depth is occasional ly needed; important informatio n omitted or not fully developed ; presentati on is too short or too long	Presentation does not provide adequate depth; key ideas are omitted or underdevelop ed; presentation is too short or too long
 Documentation: Proper support and sourcing for major ideas Inclusion of visual aids that support message 	Effective message support provided in the form of facts and visual aids; sourcing is current and supports major ideas.	Adequate message support provided for key concepts by facts and visual aids; sourcing is generally adequate and current	Some message support provided by facts and visual aids, sourcing may be outdated or thin,	Little or no message support provided for major ideas; visual aids are missing or inadequate; little or no sourcing provided



 Delivery: Adequate volume Appropriate pace Flow (pauses, verbal fillers: um, uh, er) Personal appearance Enthusiasm Posture Effective use of visual aids 	Good volume and energy; proper pace and diction; avoidance of distracting gestures and verbal fillers; professional appearance; visual aids used effectively	Adequate volume and energy, generally good pace and diction, few or no distracting gestures and verbal fillers; professional appearance, visual aids used adequately	visual aids need work More volunteeri ng needed at times, pace too slow or too fast, some distracting gestures or posture, adequate appearanc e, visual aids could be improved	Low volume or energy, pace too slow or too fast, poor diction, distracting gestures or posture, unprofessiona l appearance, visual aids poorly used
Interaction: • Ade qua te eye con tact wit h aud ienc e • Abi lity to liste n	Good eye contact with audience, excellent listening skills, answers audience questions with authority and accuracy	Fairly good eye contact with audience, displays ability to listen, provides adequate answers to audience questions	Additional eye contact needed at times, better listening skills needed, some difficulty in answering questions	Little or no eye contact with audience, poor listening skills, uneasiness or inability to answer questions



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Class Participation Rubric: 100 points

Points	90 - 100	80 - 89	70 - 79	60 - 69
Participation	Student initiates	Student initiates	Student initiates	Student participates
and	discussion more	discussion once in	discussion at least	when instructor
Engagement	than once in each	each class session,	in half of the class	solicits input.
	class session,	participates in most	sessions and	
	participates	class discussion is	participates	
	enthusiastically in	alert and focused	occasionally.	
	all class discussion	most of the time.		
	and remains alert			
	and focused			
	throughout class			
	session			
Quality of	Comments are	Comments are	Comments are	Comments are
comments	always insightful	mostly insightful	sometimes	uninformative and
	and reflect critical	and reflect some	insightful. They	rely heavily on
	engagement with	level of critical	reflect familiarity	personal opinion.
	the reading	engagement with	but little or no	
	materials. They are	the reading	critical engagement	
	balanced between	materials.	with the reading	
	impressions and	Occasionally	materials. They are	
	thoughtful critical	comments are too	not always relevant	
	analysis.	general or not	to discussion.	
		relevant to the		
		discussion.		
Listening	Student always	Student is mostly	Student is passively	Student is
skills	listens carefully to	attentive when	attentive. Though	inattentive, does not
	and engages	others present their	reluctant to	pay attention when
	thoughtfully and	ideas and	participate in class	others speak,
	respectfully with	occasionally	discussions, when	detracts from
	others'	engages with them.	called upon will be	discussion, sleeps,
	contributions.	Student	able to demonstrate	etc.
		occasionally needs	their full presence.	
		encouragement.		



Impact on	Student makes	Student makes	Student's impact is	Student makes
Class	excellent and	positive impact on	neutral.	negative impact on
	positive impact on	class.		class
	class.			