Southern New Hampshire University

HUM 100 Major Developments in the Humanities Discussion Rubric

Prompt: In this discussion spanning **Weeks 5 and 6** in **Theme: Major Developments in the Humanities**, you will discuss major developments and time periods in the humanities. **In Week 5,** you will provide a response to the following questions in your initial post:

- Identify an artifact that represents the characteristics of each era. You should identify a total of three artifacts. Provide an image or link to your artifact.
- What do you believe was the purpose for creating each of the artifacts you selected? Justify your response using what you now know about the culture and values of each era.
- Why do you believe the creators felt the need to express themselves using these artifacts?

In **Week 6**, you will respond to two of your peers' initial posts. When responding to your peers, reflect on what you have learned in this theme. What differences do you notice between the artifacts from each era? Where do you think those differences stemmed from? Do you think contemporary human creative expression can or should work to elevate humanity?

Requirements for Discussion Topic Assignments
Students are required to post one initial post in Week 5 and to follow up with at least two response posts in Week 6.

For your initial post (1), you must do the following:
- Compose a post of one to two paragraphs.
- In Week 5, complete the initial post by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. of your local time zone.
- Take into consideration material such as course content and other discussion topics from the current module and previous modules, when appropriate *(Make sure you are using proper citation methods for your discipline when referencing scholarly or popular resources).*

For your response posts (2), you must do the following:
- Reply to at least two different classmates outside of your own initial post thread.
- In Week 6, complete the two response posts by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. of your local time zone.
- Demonstrate more depth and thought than simply stating that "I agree" or "You are wrong." *Guidance is provided for you in each discussion prompt.*

Critical Elements	Proficient (100%)	Needs Improvement (75%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Artifacts	Identifies an artifact for each of the three eras		Does not identify an artifact for each of the three eras	10
Response	Provides a response that addresses all elements of both question prompts	Provides a response that only addresses some of the elements of both question prompts, or responds to only one question	Provides a response that does not address any elements of either prompt	30
Support	Supports response with explanation	Response is only partially supported by an explanation	Does not provide explanation to support response	20

Engagement	Provides relevant and meaningful response posts with clarifying explanation and detail	Provides relevant response posts with some explanation and detail	Provides response posts that are generic with little explanation or detail	30
Communicates Clearly	Clearly communicates ideas and thoughts	Responses require clarification in order to support understanding of key ideas and thoughts	Key ideas or thoughts are not understandable	10
			Total	**100%**