

ONLINE BEHAVIOR

Participating in online discussions is how you earn some of your points.

Be respectful of your classmates and their opinions when you respond to posts. Each student may have different views and has the right to voice them.

You are expected to follow these guidelines.

1. Be respectful and professional in all correspondence at all times. To do otherwise is disruptive behavior and will not be tolerated.

Examples of disruptive behavior are unacceptable, disruptive language as follows:

- a. use of profanity or unprofessional offensive language.
- b. use of sarcasm.
- c. use of language that threatens or teases anyone in any way.
- d. use of language that is racist, homophobic, misogynistic, or hateful.

This may trigger the SEVERE CLAUSE (see below).

2. Your postings should contribute meaningfully to the topic.

The following “Yeah, I agree,” is not an acceptable posting.

The following is acceptable: “You make some very good points in your post. I agree with your interpretation of the results and what you believe is the author’s conclusion. However, I believe there may be a problem with external validity. People in a laboratory may remember negative images more often than neutral images, but would people in everyday life show the same bias? Do you think that making the procedure less artificial could have a large effect on the results, or a small effect, or no effect?”

The quality of your posts reflects the quality of your work in online classes.

3. Log-in and participate in class discussions on time, as scheduled.

4. Complete and submit assignments on time.

5. Do your own work. Plagiarism/cheating is not acceptable under any circumstances.

Consequences for Disruptive Behavior:

1st offense: Student is warned via email.

2nd offense: Student is blocked from class (no access to email, discussion board or course information/lecture notes) for 1 week. Student gets a zero for missed assignments.

Student meets with instructor and agrees on proper behavior before being allowed to access the class.

A Disruptive Student Behavior Report Form is completed and sent to the Dean of Student Services.

3rd offense: Student is dropped from the class.

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SEVERE CLAUSE — For very serious, intolerable behaviors, such as 1d (above):

Dropped from class immediately, no 2nd or 3rd chance.

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