# George Mason University College of Education and Human Development Educational Psychology

EDEP 551.001 & P01 – Principles of Learner Motivation 3 Credits, Spring 2018

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#### **Prerequisites/Corequisites**

None.

#### **University Catalog Course Description**

Focuses on theories and concepts of human motivation, and examines strategies, techniques, and interventions that promote and sustain learner motivation.

#### **Course Overview**

This course focuses on theories and concepts of human motivation. Students explore what motivates students to learn, and examine strategies, techniques and interventions that promote and sustain learner motivation.

#### **Course Delivery Method**

This course is structured around readings, reflections on readings, class projects, technology activities, and writing assignments. This course will be taught using lectures, discussions, and small and large group activities. The course is technology-enhanced using Blackboard (<a href="http://mymason.gmu.edu">http://mymason.gmu.edu</a>). Students are responsible for any information posted on the course site.

#### **Required Texts**

Alderman, M. K. (2008). *Motivation for achievement: Possibilities for teaching and learning*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.

A list of additional required readings is provided at the end of this document. Additional readings will be made available through E-Reserves.

## **Learner Outcomes or Objectives**

This course is designed to enable students to do the following:

- Students will be able to describe the important characteristics of historical and contemporary theories of motivation
- Students will be able discuss the motivational theories as they pertain to instructional design
- Students will be able to produce appropriate strategies for enhancing learner motivation in light of motivational problems
- Students will be able to describe ways of measuring the motivational effectiveness of instruction
- Students will be able to develop a personal approach for enhancing student motivation
- Students will be able to develop an understanding of the types of accommodations that are appropriate for the motivation of culturally diverse and exceptional learners
- Students will be able to read and critically evaluate current research of motivational theories
- Students will be able to understand the role of goals, emotions, and beliefs on learner motivation
- Students will be able to develop and reinforce their critical thinking, problem solving, oral and writing skills

#### **Professional Standards**

#### **Program Standards:**

**Standard 1: Knowledge of Cognition, Motivation, and Development.** Candidates will demonstrate an understanding of principles and theories of learning, cognition, motivation, and development as they apply to a wide variety of contemporary learning contexts.

**Standard 2: Application of Cognition, Motivation, and Development Knowledge.** Candidates will use their knowledge, skills, and dispositions to apply principles and theories of learning, cognition, motivation, and development to analyze and develop instruction in applied settings.

**Standard 3: Knowledge of Educational Research and Assessment.** Candidates will demonstrate an understanding of the basic concepts, principles, techniques, approaches, and ethical issues involved in educational research.

**Standard 4: Analysis, Critique, and Evaluation of Educational Research.** Candidates will use their knowledge of quantitative and qualitative research methodology to critically read and evaluate quantitative and qualitative research articles.

**Standard 6: Communication and Dissemination of Educational Research.** Candidates will demonstrated critical thinking, oral presentation, technological, and writing skills as they are used in the profession. These include: a. Knowledge and use of APA style, b. Oral presentations, c. Poster presentations, d. Article abstracts, e. Research proposals, f. Literature reviews, and g. Technological skills

#### **APA Learner Centered Principles:**

- Principle 1: The Nature of Learning Process
- Principle 2: Goals of the Learning Process
- Principle 3: Construction of Knowledge
- Principle 4: Strategic Thinking
- Principle 5: Thinking about Thinking
- Principle 6: Context of Learning

- Principle 7: Motivational & Emotional Influences on Learning
- Principle 8: Intrinsic Motivation to Learn
- Principle 9: Effects of Motivation on Affect
- Principle 11: Social Influences on Learning
- Principle 13: Learning and Diversity

For more information see: American Psychological Association (1997). *Learner-centered psychological principles: A framework for school redesign and reform.* Retrieved October 14, 2002 from <a href="http://www.apa.org">http://www.apa.org</a>

#### **Course Performance Evaluation**

Students are expected to submit all assignments on time in the manner outlined by the instructor (e.g., Blackboard, Tk20, hard copy).

#### Assignments and/or Examinations

## Critical Questions and Online Discussion (5%)

To facilitate class discussion, students are expected to post 5 critical questions/comments about the content over the semester (Note: these are in addition to any postings made due to a course absence). The 5 critical questions/comments should be reflective of 5 *different* class meetings. Questions are to be posted in Blackboard by **4pm** the **Monday** prior to the class in the appropriate discussion board. Additional postings on Blackboard may also be assigned throughout the semester, in which case specific guidelines will be provided and posted on Blackboard.

## Article Critique (20%--10% each)

Each student will prepare two critiques based on the topics and empirical articles assigned in the syllabus for two different class meetings. At least one critique is to be done in pairs and students are strongly encouraged to do the first critique in pairs.\* Critiques are due on the day the reading is scheduled. The first critique is to be submitted by 3/6 and the second is due by 4/24. Critiques should be posted on Blackboard by 4:30pm the day the reading is scheduled. Article Critique guidelines and rubric are provided at the end of this syllabus.

#### Case Analysis Writing Assignment (30%)

This is a three-part assignment in which students will analyze classroom scenarios and apply the constructs discussed in class. *Part 1 is due on 2/20, Part 2 is due on 3/6, and Part 3 is due on 4/3*.

#### Final Paper and Poster Presentation (35%--Paper: 25%; Poster: 10%)

There are three final paper options: 1) literature review, 2) research proposal, or, 3) instructional intervention/motivation design paper (i.e., apply principles of motivation and learning to a chosen context). Paper format and topics should be submitted to the instructor in writing by 2/27. Contact the instructor before this date to discuss plans for the final paper. Students may work with a partner on this assignment with permission from the instructor.\* The final paper is due by 4:30pm 5/15. Late papers will not be accepted unless prior arrangements have been made.

Final paper content will be shared with the class in a poster fair on 5/1. A copy of the poster materials should be sent to the instructor by 9am 4/30. Additional guidelines and rubrics will be provided.

\*For assignments completed with a partner, both individuals are to complete the Collaboration Rubric (see end of syllabus) and write a brief reflection (i.e., a few paragraphs) about the collaborative experience (e.g., how work was structured, role of each member, any difficulties or benefits encountered, what was learned about collaboration). The rubric and reflection are due the day the

assignment is submitted. If the completed rubric and essay are not turned in the assignment will be marked down by one letter grade.

### • Other Requirements

## Attendance and Participation (10%)

Because of the importance of lecture and classroom discussions to students' total learning experience, each student is expected to come to class on time and participate in class discussions and activities. Assigned readings are to be completed before class. Attendance, punctuality, preparation, and active contribution to small and large group activities are essential. In the event students miss a class, the professor should be notified, preferably in advance, and the student is responsible for any assignments and materials passed out or discussed that day. The student is also responsible for posting a substantive reaction to the assigned readings on the relevant Blackboard discussion form. (See rubric for attendance and participation at end of syllabus).

#### Paper Format

All papers submitted should adhere to the following guidelines:

- 1 inch margins on all sides, double-spaced, 12-point Times New Roman font.
- Separate title page including the following: title, name, date, professor, course number.
- Formatted in APA style and proofread for spelling, grammar, and clarity errors.

## Late Assignments

Unless otherwise indicated, assignments are due at the start of class on the assigned due date and are to be posted on Blackboard. Late assignments will be marked down by half a letter grade for each day the assignment is late.

### • Grading

Students' final grade for this class will be based on the following:

#### **Professional Dispositions**

See https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/polices-procedures/

#### **Core Values Commitment**

The College of Education and Human Development is committed to collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles: <a href="http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/">http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/</a>.

# **Class Schedule**

Note: Faculty reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary, with notification to students.

Date	Topic	Assigned Readings
Tues.	Course Overview	Pintrich & Schunk (2002) Chapter 1 (overview of history
1/23	History & Introduction to Motivation	and research methodology)
Tues.	Attribution Theory	Alderman (2008) Chapter 2
1/30		Dweck (2002)
		Rattan et al. (2015)
		Graham & Barker (1990) +
		Final Paper discussed
Tues.	Self-Efficacy & Self-Worth	Alderman (2008) Chapter 3 pp. 66-86
2/6		Usher & Pajares (2006) +
	Expectancy-Value Theory	Wigfield & Eccles (2000)
		Case Analysis Part 1 assigned
Tues.	Expectancy-Value Theory (continued)	Flake et al. (2015)+
2/13		Read <i>one</i> of the following:**
		Durik, Vida, &Eccles (2006) +
		Cole, Bergin, & Whittaker (2008) +
	Self-Determination	Ryan and Deci (2000)
Tues. 2/20	Intrinsic-Extrinsic Motivation Debate	Alderman (2008) Chapter 8 252-264
2/20		Read in this order:
		Deci, Koestner, & Ryan (2001) +
		Cameron (2001) +
		Deci, Ryan, & Koestner (2001) +
		Covington (2000)
		Case Analysis Part 1 due; Part 2 assigned
Tues.	Autonomy Support	Alderman (2008) Chapter 8 pp. 244-250
2/27		Read <i>two</i> of the following:**
		TBD+
		Final Paper Topics due

<sup>\*\*</sup>Post your choice of articles on Blackboard

<sup>+</sup> Can be used for an Article Critique

Tues. 3/6	Goal Orientations	Alderman (2008) Chapter 3 pp. 86-104 Patrick & Ryan (2009)+ Daniels et al. (2008)+ Elliot et al. (2011) (introduction: pp. 632-635 & discussion: pp. 641-644)  Case Analysis Part 2 due; Part 3 assigned
		Article Critique I due
Tues. 3/13	SPRING BREAK—NO CLASS	
Tues. 3/20	Goals, Self-Regulation, and Volition	Alderman (2008) Chapters 4 & 5 Kistner et al. (2010)+ Shellenbarger (2011)
Tues. 3/27	Situated Views of Motivation	Nolen et al. (2015) Nolen (2007)
Tues. 4/3	Motivation, Instruction, & the Social Context: Evaluation & Feedback	Alderman (2008) Chapter 8 pp. 264-272 Brookhart (2008) Nolen (2011)
		Read <i>one</i> of the following Evaluation/Feedback articles: TBD+  Final Paper Update Case Analysis Part 3 due
Tues. 4/10	Motivation, Instruction, & the Social Context: Classroom Context	Alderman (2008) Chapter 7 Chapter 8 237-244 Juvonen (2007)
		Read <i>one</i> of the following Classroom articles: TBD+
Tues. 4/17	Motivation, Instruction, & the Social Context: Peers & Family	Read <i>one</i> of the following Peer articles: TBD+
		Read <i>one</i> of the following Parent articles: TBD+
Tues. 4/24	Motivation, Instruction, & the Social Context: Motivational Interventions	Alderman (2008) Chapter 9 Read two of the following: ** TBD+
		Article Critique II due
Tues. 5/1	Conclusions Poster Fair	Copy of poster materials to Professor by <u>9am 4/30</u>
Tues. 5/15		Final Paper due by 4:30pm

<sup>\*\*</sup>Post your choice of articles on Blackboard + Can be used for an Article Critique

#### **GMU Policies and Resources for Students**

#### **Policies**

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the Mason Honor Code (see <a href="https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/">https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/</a>).
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing (see <a href="http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/">http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/</a>).
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their Mason email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university, college, school, and program will be sent to students **solely** through their Mason email account.
- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services. Approved accommodations will begin at the time the written letter from Disability Services is received by the instructor (see <a href="http://ods.gmu.edu/">http://ods.gmu.edu/</a>).
- Students must follow the university policy stating that all sound emitting devices shall be silenced during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.

#### Campus Resources

- Support for submission of assignments to Tk20 should be directed to <u>tk20help@gmu.edu</u> or <a href="https://cehd.gmu.edu/aero/tk20">https://cehd.gmu.edu/aero/tk20</a>. Questions or concerns regarding use of Blackboard should be directed to <a href="http://coursessupport.gmu.edu/">http://coursessupport.gmu.edu/</a>.
- For information on student support resources on campus, see https://ctfe.gmu.edu/teaching/student-support-resources-on-campus

For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, please visit our website <a href="https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/">https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/</a>.

#### **Required Course Reading List**

- Anderman, L. H., Andrzejewski, C. E., & Allen, J. (2011). How do teachers support students' motivation and learning in their classrooms? *Teachers College Record*, 113(5), 969-1003.
- Bissell-Havran, J. M., & Loken, E. (2009). The role of friends in early adolescents' academic self-competence and intrinsic value for math and English. *Journal of Youth and Adolescence*, 38(1), 41-50. doi: 10.1007/s10964-007-9266-3
- Brookhart, S. M. (2008). Feedback that fits. *Educational Leadership*, 65(4), 54-59.
- Buhs, E. S., Ladd, G. W., & Herald, S. L. (2006). Peer exclusion and victimization: processes that mediate the relation between peer group rejection and children's classroom engagement and achievement? *Journal of Educational Psychology*, 98(1), 1-13. doi: 10.1037/0022-0663.98.1.1
- Cameron, C. (2001). Negative effects of reward on intrinsic motivation-A limited phenomenon; Comment on Deci, Koestner, and Ryan (2001). *Review of Educational Research*, 71, 29-42. doi: 10.3102/00346543071001029
- Cole, J. S., Bergin, D. A., & Whittaker, T. A. (2008). Predicting achievement for low stakes tests with effort and task value. *Contemporary Educational Psychology*, *33*(4), 609-624. doi:10.1016/j.cedpsych.2007.10.002
- Covington, M. V. (2000). Intrinsic versus extrinsic motivation in schools: A reconciliation. *Current Directions in Psychological Science*, *9*, 22-25. doi: 10.1111/1467-8721.00052
- Daniels, L. M., Haynes, T. L., Stupinsky, R. H., Perry, R. P., Newall, N. E., & Pekrun, R. (2008). Individual differences in achievement goals: A longitudinal study of cognitive, emotional, and achievement outcomes. *Contemporary Educational Psychology*, *33*(4), 584-608. doi: 10.1016/j.cedpsych.2007.08.002
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- Dweck, C. S. (2002). Messages that motivate: How praise molds students' beliefs, motivation, and performance in surprising ways. In J. Aronson (Eds.) *Improving academic achievement* (pp. 38-60). San Diego: Academic Press.
- Elliot, A. J., Murayama, K., & Pekrun, R. (2011). A 3x2 achievement goal model. *Journal of Educational Psychology*, 103, 632-648.
- Flake, J. K., Barron, K. E., Hulleman, C., McCoach, B. D., & Welsh, M. E. (2015). Measuring cost: The forgotten component of expectancy-value theory. *Contemporary Educational Psychology, 41*, 232–244. doi: http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.cedpsych.2015.03.002
- Graham, S., & Barker, G. B. (1990). The down side of help: An attribution-developmental analysis of helping behavior as a low-ability cue. *Journal of Educational Psychology*, 85, 7-14.
- Guthrie, J. T., McRae, A., & Klauda, S. L. (2007). Contributions of concept-oriented reading instruction to knowledge about interventions for motivations in reading. *Educational Psychologist*, 42(4), 237-250. doi:10.1080/00461520701621087

- Harackiewicz, J. M., Rozek, C. S., Hulleman, C. S., & Hyde, J. S. (2012). Helping parents to motivate adolescents in mathematics and science: An experimental test of a utility-value intervention. *Psychological Science*, 23(8), 1-8. doi: 10.1177/0956797611435530
- Hudley, C., Graham, S., & Taylor, A. (2007). Reducing aggressive behavior and increasing motivation in school: The evolution of an intervention to strengthen school adjustment. *Educational Psychologist*, 42(4), 251-260. doi:10.1080/00461520701621095
- Hulleman, C. S., Kosovich, J. J., Barron, K. E., & Daniel, D. B. (2016, August 15). Making connections: Replicating and extending the utility value intervention in the classroom. *Journal of Educational Psychology*. Advance online publication. http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/edu0000146
- Jang, H. (2008). Supporting students' motivation, engagement, and learning during an uninteresting activity. *Journal of Educational Psychology*, 100(4), 798-811. doi:10.1037/a0012841
- Juvonen, J. (2007). Reforming middle schools: Focus on continuity, social connectedness, and engagement. *Educational Psychologist, 42,* 197-208. doi:10.1080/00461520701621046
- Katz, I., & Shahar, B. (2015). What makes a motivating teacher? Teachers' motivation and beliefs as predictors of their autonomy-supportive style. *School Psychology International*, *36*(6), 575-588.
- Kim, J. (2015). American high school students from different ethnic backgrounds: The role of parents and the classroom in achievement motivation. *Social Psychology of Education: An International Journal*, 18(2), 411-430. DOI 10.1007/s11218-014-9285-3
- Kistner, S., Rakoczy, K., Otto, B., Dignath-van Ewijk, C., Buttner, G., & Klieme, E. (2010). Promotion of self-regulated learning in classrooms: Investigating frequency, quality, and consequences for student performance. *Metacognition and Learning*, 5(2), 157-171. doi:10.1007/s11409-010-9055-3
- Meusen-Beekman, K. D., Joosten-ten Brinke, D., & Boshuizen, H. P. (2016). Effects of formative assessments to develop self-regulation among sixth grade students: Results from a randomized controlled intervention. *Studies in Educational Evaluation*, *51*, 126-136. doi:10.1016/j.stueduc.2016.10.008
- Nolen, S. B. (2007). Young children's motivation to read and write: Development in social contexts. *Cognition & Instruction*, *25*, 219-270.
- Nolen, S. B. (2011). The role of educational systems in the link between formative assessment and motivation. *Theory into Practice*, *50* (4), 319-326. DOI: 10.1080/00405841.2011.607399
- Nolen, S. B., Horn, I. S., & Ward, C. J. (2015). Situating motivation. *Educational Psychologist*, *50* (3), 234-247. DOI: 10.1080/00461520.2015.1075399
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- Patrick, H., Turner, J. C., Meyer, D. K., & Midgley, C. (2003). How teachers establish psychological environments during the first days of school: Associations with avoidance in mathematics. *Teachers College Record*, 105(8), 1521-1558. doi: 10.1111/1467-9620.00299
- Paunesku, D., Walton, G., Romero, C., Smith, E., Yeager, D., & Dweck, C. (2015). Mind-set interventions are a scalable treatment for academic underachievement. *Psychological Science*, 26(6), 784-793. doi:http://dx.doi.org/10.1177/0956797615571017
- Pintrich, P. R., & Schunk, D. H. (2002). Motivation: Introduction and historical foundations. In *Motivation in education: Theory, research, and applications* (pp. 1-50). Englewood Cliffs: Prentice Hall.
- Rattan, A., Savani, K., Chugh, D., & Dweck, C. S. (2015). Leveraging mindsets to promote academic achievement: Policy recommendations. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, *10*(6), 721-726. doi:http://dx.doi.org/10.1177/1745691615599383

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- Su, Y-L, & Reeve, J (2011). A meta-analysis of the effectiveness of intervention programs designed to support autonomy. *Educational Psychology Review, 23,* 159–188. doi:10.1007/s10648-010-9142-7
- Suizzo, M., Jackson, K. M., Pahlke, E., McClain, S., Marroquin, Y., Blondeau, L. A., & Hong, K. (2016). Parents' school satisfaction and academic socialization predict adolescents' autonomous motivation: A mixed-method study of low-income ethnic minority families. *Journal of Adolescent Research*, 31(3), 343-374. DOI: 10.1177/0743558415605617
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- Usher, E. L., & Pajares, F. (2006). Sources of academic and self-regulatory efficacy beliefs of entering middle school students. *Contemporary Educational Psychology, 31*, 125-141. doi: 10.1016/j.cedpsych.2005.03.002
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## **Attendance & Participation Rubric (10%)**

Student participation is imperative to student learning and a successful class. The following rubric outlines how student participation scores will be determined in this course. All students are expected to demonstrate specific characteristics and actions throughout the semester. The quality and quantity of these actions will determine the points assigned for participation.

#### Students are expected to:

- Be punctual, present (in mind and body), and well prepared for class.
- Participate fully in class activities and assignments take an active part in small and large group discussions (without dominating the conversations) and pay attention to class lectures.
- Make insightful comments, which are informed by required readings and demonstrate reflection on those readings. Specifically, students should come to class with questions, comments, and thoughts on the current readings.
- Treat class activities, group discussions, and class discussions as important components of the course, showing respect for fellow classmates and the course material.

## Each of these criteria will be assessed on a 5-point scale.

- 4 = Student *consistently* demonstrated the criterion throughout the semester.
- 3 = Student *frequently* demonstrated the criterion throughout the semester.
- 2 = Student *intermittently* demonstrated the criterion throughout the semester.
- 1 = Student *rarely* demonstrated the criterion throughout the semester.
- 0 = Student *did not* demonstrate the criterion throughout the semester.

## Your participation grade will be calculated as the sum of points for each criterion.

Criterion	Score
a)	
b)	
c)	
d)	
TOTAL	

Grade Allocation						
_	Point Range					
	Plus Standard Minus					
A	16	15	14			
В	13	11-12	10			
C		8-9				
F		<u>≤</u> 7				

## **Article Critique Guidelines and Rubric (20%)**

Each student is required to prepare two critiques based on the assigned <u>empirical readings</u> for two different class meetings. <u>Critiques are due the day the reading is scheduled in the syllabus</u>. Critiques should be posted on Blackboard by 4:30pm the day the reading is scheduled.

#### CONTENT

## **Empirical Article**

- 1. The problem
- 2. The methodology (e.g., participants, measures, procedures, research design)
- 3. The findings/results
- 4. The authors' conclusion(s) (include implications or applications)
- 5. Your analysis and critique of the article (e.g., discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the methods, analyses, and conclusions)
- 6. Your perspective on the implications for research and or practice

#### **FORMAT**

The critique should

- Include a cover page
- Be 3-6 pages (excluding cover and reference page), typed, double-spaced, and in APA format
- Include reference information on a separate sheet (APA format)

# ARTICLE CRITIQUE RUBRIC

Criteria	Outstanding	Competent	Minimal	Unsatisfactory
	(3)	(2)	(1)	(0)
Summary	Provides a clear and	Summary of the	Summary of the	Summary of the
Summarize	complete summary	article is mostly	article is somewhat	article is absent.
important aspects of	of the article	complete but lacks	incomplete and/or	
article	including all	some components,	unclear with	
	necessary	clarity, or	multiple	
	components.	understanding.	misunderstandings.	
Analysis	Gives a complete	Analysis may be	Analysis is limited	Gives no analysis of
Analyze and critique	analysis of the	somewhat limited or	and/or lacks	study and lacks
specific aspects of	article, relating	includes few	examples to justify	examples to justify
article (e.g., theory,	specific examples to	examples to justify	critique.	critique.
methods, analysis,	justify critique.	critique.		
discussion)				_
Implications	Relates article to	Implications for	Implications are	Draws no
Discuss implications	personal situation	practice and research	general, lack	implications for
for the article for	and or course	are somewhat	specific connection	practice or research.
research or practice	content with clear	general, lacking	to practice and/or	
	implications for	connection, or in	research, and/or are	
	practice and	need of elaboration.	inappropriate.	
	research.			
	Outstanding	Competent	Minimal	Unsatisfactory
	(1)	(.75)	(.50)	(.25)
APA Style	Uses concise,	Writes with some	Writes with a lack of	Writes with little
Use APA style and	coherent, well-	lack of clarity and/or	clarity and	clarity or coherence,
formatting	organized writing	inconsistent APA	coherence, many	many errors, and/or
	with correct APA	style with some	errors, or incorrect	no use of APA style.
	style.	errors.	APA style.	

TOTAL = \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Allocation						
	Point Range					
	Plus	Plus Standard				
A	10	8-9				
В	7	7 5-6				
C		4				
F		<u>≤</u> 3				

# **COLLABORATION RUBRIC**

Assignment:	Date:
Your Name (Self):	Partner's Name (Partner):

Skills	Outstanding (4)	Competent (3)	Minimal (2)	Unsatisfactory (1)	Score
Contributions/ Participation/ Attitude	Always willing to help and do more, routinely offered useful ideas. Always displays positive attitude.	Cooperative, usually offered useful ideas. Generally displays positive attitude.	Sometimes cooperative, sometimes offered useful ideas. Rarely displays positive attitude.	Seldom cooperative, rarely offers useful ideas. Is disruptive.	Self:
Working with others/ Cooperation	Did more than others – highly productive Works extremely well with others, never argues	Did their part of the work – cooperative. Works well with others, rarely argues.	Could have done more of the work – has difficulty, requires structure, directions and leadership, sometimes argues.	Did not do any work – does not contribute, does not work well with others, usually argues with teammates.	Self:
Focus on task/ Commitment	Tries to keep people working together. Almost always focused on the task and what needs to be done. Is very self-directed.	Does not cause problems in the group. Focuses on the task and what needs to be done most of the time. Can count on this person.	Sometimes not a good team member. Sometimes focuses on the task and what needs to be done. Must be prodded and reminded to keep on task.	Often is not a good team member. Does not focus on the task and what needs to be done. Lets others do the work.	Self:
Communication/ Listening/ Information sharing	Always listens to, shares with, and supports the efforts of others. Provided effective feedback. Relays a great deal of information – all relates to the topic.	Usually listens to, shares with, and supports the efforts of others. Sometimes talks too much or too little. Provided some effective feedback. Relays some basic information — most relates to the topic.	Often listens to, shares with, and supports the efforts of others. Usually does most of the talking – rarely listens to others, or provided little feedback to others. Relays very little information – some relates to the topic.	Rarely listens to, shares with, or supports the efforts of others. Is always talking and never listens or provides no feedback to others. Does not relay any information.	Self: Partner:
Job proficiency/ Accuracy	Work is complete, well organized, no errors and is done on time or early.	Work is generally complete, meets the requirements of the task, and is mostly done on time.	Work tends to be disorderly, incomplete, not accurate and is usually late.	Work is generally sloppy and incomplete, excessive errors and is mostly late or not at all.	Self:

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