

Weekly Learning Summaries & Discussion Questions

INSTRUCTIONS:

Each student will submit a total of three “Weekly Learning Summaries & Discussion Questions” over the course HOEC 98. All 2-page (minimum) written summaries must be typed, double spaced, 1” margins, 12-point font. Be sure to use spell/grammar check.

The quality of your responses will be assessed using the [Rubric](#) (page 2). The Learning Summaries should reflect knowledge and synthesis of assigned readings and classroom activities, application of critical thinking skills, application of theory to practice, and substantive responses to discussion questions.

DUE DATES	Learning Summary (summarize the week’s classes, activities, readings)	Discussion Questions (DQs) (PLUS answer the DQ of the week)	Point Value
Tuesday, August 25	Week 1 <i>“A goal without a plan is just a wish.”</i> Antoine De Saint-Exupery	Think of your educational or career goals as your “destination”, and the steps to get there your “journey”. There may be a few road blocks or detours along the way. How do you plan to be successful in reaching your goals?	15
Tuesday, September 1	Week 2 <i>“The purpose of life is to find your gift.”</i> <i>The meaning of life is to give it away.”</i>	Think about your professional strengths and weaknesses. Describe how your skills and abilities relate to working as a nutrition paraprofessional, and identify areas you need to improve or develop.	15
Tuesday, September 8	Week 3 <i>TEAM: Together Each Achieves More</i>	Collaboration, cooperation, and teambuilding are very important aspects of school and work. How do you work effectively in a team? What problems have you encountered and how did you resolve them?	15

Reflections for Learning Summaries

- *I was surprised...*
- *I have been wondering....*
- *I realized that....*
- *I find it interesting that...*
- *This week’s activities caused me to think differently about ____ because...*
- *I feel comfortable with...*
- *I would like to learn more about...*
- *I am still unclear or unsure about...*
- *This week I learned...*



RUBRIC for Learning Summaries & Discussion Questions

TASKS	Exemplary 5	Developing 3	Beginning 1	Score
Learning Summary (Content)	Contains detailed, substantive, organized, clear and focused information. Reflects knowledge and insight of assigned readings and classroom activities. Analyzes and applies information.	Content may lack detail and clarity. Readings and classroom activities may be referred to, but not clearly defined. Does not fully analyze or apply information.	Content lacks substance, and is unorganized. There is little connection to course content or evidence of reflective thought.	5 4 3 2 1
Discussion Question Response (Content)	Response is detailed, substantive, organized, and clearly answers the question.	Response corresponds to the question but lacks substance, detail, and examples.	Response is not fully described, and does not clearly answer the question.	5 4 3 2 1
Written Product	Give it an interesting title! Writing is concise, fluent, and organized. Spelling, punctuation, and grammar are accurate. Written product is neatly typed and formatted. Creative!	Writing is generally clear and organized. Some spelling/grammar errors. Written product is of average quality.	Writing lacks clarity, focus, fluency, and organization. Many spelling/grammar errors. Written product is difficult to read and understand.	5 4 3 2 1