D2L - Discuss
Best Practices: Points & Grades

- <u>In the Course Syllabus,</u>
  - <u>award points separately</u> for Initial Response & Participation.
  - *Example:*
    - Initial Response - 15 Discussion Topics (10 Points each)
    - Participation in 30 Discussions (5 Points each) *(Respond to two different classmates' initial posts)*
- <u>In D2L,</u>
  - <u>Create **ONE** grade item</u> for both Initial Response & Participation
  - Makes it easier for Instructors to award points in one grade item

Standards I.3 & V.2 of Quality Assurance Rubric for Online Courses
- *Supports student-content/student/instructor interaction*

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