

JTW Program Grading Criteria

Your performance and outcome in coursework are all assessed and evaluated in accordance with the grading criteria and scale listed below:

1. WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT GRADING CRITERIA

Grade	Significance	Criteria
A (90+)	Excellent	Distinguished effort, outstanding in comparison. Ideas well organized into a consistent and persuasive argument with appropriate weight of analysis for the topic in question. Maximum use of available source material. Clear evidence of originality demonstrating overall perspective of issues addressed.
B (80+)	Good	Solid grasp of topic in question although not quite enough to qualify as 'outstanding' due to: insufficient weight of analysis, some inconsistency in ideas and organization, and, as a result, a not entirely convincing argument. Somewhat limited overall perspective of issues addressed.
C (70+)	Satisfactory	Assignment satisfactorily completed showing some grasp of issues involved, but clearly insufficient weight of analysis to justify a 'good' B grade. Somewhat less than convincing argument due to only partial treatment with possibly some crucial 'gaps' in material presented. Use of available source material only adequate at best. Little evidence of overall perspective.
D (60+)	Pass	Unsatisfactory completion of assignment. Inadequate understanding of central issues. Effort unsatisfactory. Clearly inadequate use of available source material. No real overall perspective.

Notes: Late submission – 2% deducted per day for any unauthorized late submission.

2. PRESENTATION GRADING CRITERIA (FOR CORE COURSES, ISPS & ALRS)

Grade	Significance	Criteria
A (90+)	Excellent	Concise and well-organized presentation of topic within time allowed. Clear and audible explanation of complex ideas comprehensible even to non-specialist audience. Evidence of ability to elicit interest in topic addressed. Relevant and persuasive response to questions. Effective and well-prepared use of audio-visual material (e.g., PowerPoint).
B (80+)	Good	Well-organized presentation of ideas although not necessarily concise enough to cover relevant issues within time allowed. Answers to questions show good grasp of topic although choice of answers may not be entirely persuasive. Less than perfect presentations skills may obstruct presentation of ideas involved.
C (70+)	Satisfactory	Presentation satisfactorily completed but clearly some problems encountered in planning and/or execution. This may be manifest in time problems, inaudible or unclear delivery, failure to convey main argument in a convincing manner and/or unbalanced employment of audio-visual material. Answers to questions may reveal lack of overall awareness of topic in question.
D (60+)	Pass	Presentation completed but unsatisfactory due to failure to communicate import of topic to audience. Factors may include: time problems, inadequate planning and execution, inaudible and unclear presentation, inappropriate use of audio-visual material. Answers to questions clearly reveal insufficient overall awareness of topic in question.