

SOAN 324: Grade Adjustment Sheet

Like most courses, various assignments count toward different parts of your course grade. Course Leadership counts for 20%; that includes active attendance and both in-class and out-of-class contributions to others' learning. It specifically includes the four Data Exercises and your comments on other students' Blog Posts. (See this page for more details.)

Your own weekly Blog Posts count for an additional 5%. I shall score all these for depth, for insight, and for what others can learn from them.

There are five other major assignments, each of which counts for 15% of your course grade. They are:

- Your Personal Learning Contract and Final Reflection Paper.
- Your two Group Book Presentations.
- Your Internship and its accompanying reports.
- Your Teaching Project and its accompanying reports.
- Your Take-Home Exam.

At the end of the semester, you will have the option of adjusting any of these course elements up or down by as much as 5%, so long as the total score still adds to 100. This lets you pay more attention to some course elements than to others, as your interests draw you.

For example, you might spend more time on your Internship than is required, and decide to raise it to 20% of your grade. You could then adjust one or more of the other elements down, to compensate.

You do not need to use this option, but I will not let it hurt you; I shall figure grades twice: once with standard weighting and again with your adjustments. You will earn whichever grade is higher.

To do so, please fill out the following form.

NAME: _____

I want to adjust the course elements as follows:

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| 1. COURSE LEADERSHIP: | 20% | adjust to _____ |
| 2. BLOG POSTS: | 5% | 5% <i>(may not adjust)</i> |
| 3. LEARNING CONTRACT
/ REFLECTION PAPER | 15% | adjust to _____ |
| 4. BOOK PRESENTATIONS | 15% | adjust to _____ |
| 5. INTERNSHIP | 15% | adjust to _____ |
| 6. TEACHING PROJECT | 15% | adjust to _____ |
| 7. TAKE-HOME EXAM | 15% | adjust to _____ |

TOTAL: 100%