IDS 101 – College Colloquium: Mathematics of the Ancient World
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Syllabus

What makes a good discussion?

1. Respect others’ viewpoints.
2. Quality is more important than quantity.
3. Participate.
4. Ask lots of questions.
5. Don’t move on until a question is settled. (This may be a decision to “agree to disagree.”)
6. Respect others’ viewpoints.
7. Support your arguments with facts, not emotions.
8. Have an open mind; don’t begin the discussion with your mind made up.
9. Say what you believe, not just what you think others want to hear.
10. Be well-prepared for discussion. Come in having read and thought about the assignment.
11. Respect others’ viewpoints.
12. Don’t be afraid to speak up!
13. Keep track of earlier points.
15. Think before speaking.
16. Respect others’ viewpoints.

What constitutes good participation?

1. Be respectful of others.
2. Strike a balance between speaking and listening.
3. Come in to the discussion open-minded.
4. Be in class!
5. Speak up when you have something to say, and stop once you have said it.
6. Keep in mind that it may be necessary to “agree to disagree.”
7. Be respectful of others.