QUANTITATIVE REASONING (QURE) RUBRIC								
<b>Definition:</b> Students communicate mathematical principles and apply them to follow an extended line of formal reasoning and critical thinking. Students read and identify mathematical information that is relevant in a problem; interpret and critically analyze mathematical information presented; select appropriate methods and solve problems, estimating and evaluating the validity of results and effectively communicating quantitative concepts using correct mathematical syntax.								
General Education Measures (GEMs)	Proficient	Not Proficient	Did Not Submit	Not Applicable				
QURE 1: Communicate mathematical principles and apply them to follow an extended line of formal reasoning and critical thinking	<ol> <li>The student can correctly explain an extended deductive line of reasoning appropriate to the course.</li> <li>The student can create and form an extended line of deductive reasoning.</li> <li>Student can identify flaws in an incorrect line of reasoning.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>The student cannot correctly explain an extended deductive line of reasoning appropriate to the course.</li> <li>The student cannot create and form an extended line of deductive reasoning.</li> <li>Student cannot identify flaws in an incorrect line of reasoning.</li> </ol>	Student did not submit the assignment.	QURE1 is not assessed in this course.				
QURE 2: Read and identify mathematical information that is relevant in a problem	<ol> <li>Student can extract relevant information needed to solve a problem.</li> <li>Student can recognize and interpret mathematical symbols and terms.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Student cannot extract relevant information needed to solve a problem.</li> <li>Student cannot recognize and interpret mathematical symbols and terms.</li> </ol>	Student did not submit the assignment.	QURE 2 is not assessed in this course.				

QURE 3: Interpret and	1.	Student can	1.	Student cannot	Student did not submit	QURE 3 is not assessed
critically analyze		correctly select the		correctly select the	the assignment.	in this course.
mathematical		appropriate method		appropriate method		
information presented;		to solve a problem		to solve a problem		
select appropriate		or prove a		or prove a		
methods and solve		statement.		statement.		
problems, estimating	2.	Student can	2.	Student cannot		
and evaluating the		correctly apply		correctly apply		
validity of results		mathematical		mathematical		
		procedures,		procedures,		
		techniques, and		techniques, and		
		theory to a problem.		theory to a problem.		
	3.	Student can check	3.	Student cannot		
		and verify that a		check and verify that		
		final answer makes		a final answer makes		
		mathematical sense		mathematical sense		
		and answers the		and answers the		
		original question.		original question.		
QURE 4: Effectively	1.	Student can present	1.	Student cannot	Student did not submit	QURE 4 is not assessed
communicate		and articulate a		present and	the assignment.	in this course.
quantitative concepts		variety of complex		articulate a variety		
using correct		concepts and results		of complex concepts		
mathematical syntax		in a logical and		and results in a		
		comprehensive		logical and		
		manner.		comprehensive		
	2.	Student can present		manner.		
		work in a	2.	Student cannot		
		mathematically		present work in a		
		correct form.		mathematically		
	3.	Student can		correct form.		
		communicate				

mathematical	3. Student cannot	
information using	mathematical	
and diagrams.	information using	
	and diagrams.	

## Glossary

The definitions that follow were developed to clarify terms and concepts in this rubric only.

- **Critical thinking:** A habit of mind characterized by the comprehensive exploration of issues, ideas, artifacts, and events before accepting or formulating an opinion or conclusion. (from AACU Critical Thinking VALUE rubric)
- Formal reasoning: A form of deductive reasoning that is concerned with deriving valid conclusions or evaluating the validity of conclusions based on a set of assumed-true premises, using the rules of logic and mathematical models.
- **Mathematical information:** The concepts, procedures, facts, symbols, and tools used to quantitatively and/or logically describe, explain, or predict phenomena. (derived from <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK396094/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK396094/</a>)
- Mathematical syntax: the set of rules that defines the meaning and validity of strings of mathematical symbols.

This rubric was adapted from the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) VALUE rubrics.