English 2201: Writing in the Discipline Assignments Overview

Tentative Major Due Dates:

Date	Publication Analysis
Date	Report on Writing in the Field
Date	Literature Review / Presentation
Date	Response to an Ethical Issue
Date	Designed Book Draft
Date	Edited / Proofed Book

Description:

This sheet provides an overview of all of your assignments. Each of these assignments will become a chapter in your book, *Writing in the* _____ (name of your discipline / field). More specific details for each assignment will be provided as we progress through the semester.

Chapter One: Publication Analysis:

Working within your discipline, you will choose a topic that sparks your interest. You will select three-four different media that address your topic, and you will analyze the publications by examining audience, purpose, design, content and structure.

Chapter Two: Report on Writing in the Field:

You will interview a professional in your field. Your questions will focus on the types of writing he or she does on a regular basis on the job. Next you will locate examples of the types of writing the interviewee describes. You may use examples provided by your interviewee. You will compose a report on these principal kinds of writing done in the professional field.

Chapter Three: Literature Review / Presentation:

You will synthesize into a literature review the information collected from your research. To foster oral presentation skills, you will provide a brief (5-7 minute) oral overview of you literature review.

Chapter Four: Response to an Ethical Issue:

You will identify, investigate, report on, and respond to an ethical issue in your discipline / field. You will responsibly represent divergent viewpoints on the issue and provide your own informed response. Non-experts, including students in your major, are your audience.

Final Project:

You will write an introduction and conclusion for your book, and you will design the book, including the cover image. You will present a draft of your book to a team of classmates, who will edit and proof your work for final submission.

In-Class Writing:

On a separate sheet, please write your candid response to these assignments. Which specific assignment are you most drawn to, and why? Finally, write at least two questions you have about the upcoming assignments and / or the class in general. Your responses will help me get to know you better, and your questions will tell me your specific concerns. I will answer all of these questions (without revealing names) in our next class.