**Specific Questions for Expert Interview**

**ENG 1272: Analytical Writing**

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**You may conduct your interview either:**

1. Socially distanced, Face-to-Face (Be sure to bring two recording devices, such as a laptop camera and your phone.)
2. Via a professional, formal Email (Be sure to be polite, courteous, and formal in all communications. I will know if you are rude or unprofessional in your email communications.)

**Interview Etiquette:**

-Start the interview by introducing yourself and with some small talk to give both yourself and the person you are interviewing a chance to get comfortable.

-Pay attention to what is being said during the interview and ask thoughtful follow-up questions (in-person, or via another email).

-Come to the interview prepared. You should learn as much as you can about the person you are going to interview before the interview so that you can tailor your questions to them.

- Don't pester or push the person you are interviewing. If the interviewee does not want to talk about an issue, you should respect that desire.

-Don’t limit yourself to the assigned questions. If an interesting subject comes up that relates to your research, feel free to ask additional questions about it.

-Don't allow the person you are interviewing to continually get off topic. If the conversation drifts, ask follow-up questions to redirect the conversation to the subject at hand.

**Interview Instructions:**

Explain to the person being interviewed who you are, what you want to talk them about, and that you are working on a project for your English class to find out about writing and the culture of your future professional field. Remember to also ask how to spell your interviewee’s full name and their official title.

**Interview Questions:**

1. What kinds of writing do people in your field do?

2. What is the purpose of the different types writing being done in your field?

3. What writing conventions (expectations for structure, language, and citations used) are specific to and important to your research or work? And how did you learn them?

4. What was your experience the first time you attempted to do those kinds of writing?

5. How would you describe the culture and shared values of your field?

6. How are the culture and shared values of your profession reflected through writing?

7. What are types of writing that reflect the conversational and social interaction within your profession?

8. What would be some expectations you have for students or new professionals who are learning to write in your field?

9. What are the names of a peer-reviewed journal and/or a professional trade journal or magazine that you have read as a part of your work?

10. What are the names of professional organizations that I should know about in this field and how do they communicate?

11. What is the most important genre, or type of writing, that you use in your work? Do you have a sample of this writing, or could you refer me to where I could find an example to look at?

*12. Use your own additional Interview question about writing or the culture of your interviewee’s profession.*