

Homework: Document from Your Discipline – Individual (5 points total)

Purpose: Compose a common short document (around five pages) workers in your potential discipline write as part of their job

Audience: Your instructor, your peers, future internship sponsors and/or employers

The Assignment

Based on what you learned during your research for Project 2, compose a short document (around five pages) commonly produced by people who work in your discipline. If you plan to pursue fiction or non-fiction writing, this document could be a book query, an abbreviated project proposal sent to editors and publishers to peak their interest and persuade them to accept a full prospectus. If you plan to work in business, this document could be a “pitch,” which is a sent to potential clients. In the sciences, a common short document is a progress report. Regardless of the specific type of document you write, the point of this homework assignment is to deepen your understanding of professional communication in your potential field and to give you some experience composing something from your field.

If your interviewee from Project 2 is willing to review your draft, feel free to have her/him read it and provide comments. This should be a document you are proud of and can include in your professional portfolio to help you get internship positions and job interviews. Who knows? If your interviewee is impressed with your work, s/he may even offer you an internship or job!

Grammar/mechanics rubric: for every 5 errors, I will deduct 1 point.