**Discipline Awareness Paper**

**Write an essay of 1,000 words (3 pages) about your discourse community and resources available to researchers in your discipline, with a special focus on those you evaluated for your Annotated Bibliography.**

Library instruction and in class assignments will help you gather the following information for the paper:

1. **Basic values, assumptions, or goals** in your discipline.

2. **Current issues or questions** in your field and their significance, including the one that you chose for your own research project.

3. **Important resources in your field**: professional associations, discipline-specific databases, peer-reviewed journals, trade publications, and sources of gray literature (government agencies, think tanks, NGOs, international organizations, research institutes)

4. **Most common research methods** used in your discipline (both quantitative and qualitative).

5. M**ost common genres and writing tasks** encountered by students and practitioners in your field (both academic and professional).