Rhoades  ENG 2001 Assignment 2: Researching Writing in the Major

For this paper, you will be pulling together two areas of research:

- **Secondary research** into writing in your major, from Appalachian catalogs and websites and from information from other schools that offer information about writing in your major. All material must be documented, quoted and paraphrased correctly.
- **Primary research** from your interviews with a major, a faculty member, and a professional in your field (if that's possible). You will attach the questions you ask in an appendix and document the material, including transcripts.

To report on this information, you will write in a general report format, with these sections and headings. If your field suggests alternate headings, you may use them:

- **Abstract**—a summary of your report
- **Background**—an explanation of the discipline, the kind of work required, and an introduction to how writing is used in the field
- **Method**—a description of the methods and sources you used, as well as an explanation of the questions you asked
- **Results**—a discussion of the findings from your secondary and primary research, using the template for the scope of writing we referred to in the Hacker D sections and additional material you have added.
- **Conclusion**—a discussion of what you learned in your study and an explanation of the kinds of skills you conclude will be necessary to write in your major.

To document your paper, you may use either the style sheet for your discipline or APA (most report formats use this type of documentation).