Project 1- Scientific Communication- Article vs Narrative

This assignment is a multi-layered, multi part assignment designed to help scientific writers understand and compose in specific genres. This assignment will completed in a scaffolded process with a final draft due date.

**Part 1**

1a. Requires students to do brief research on a scientific topic of their choosing and write up a brief, but substantive post on Blackboard explaining their topic and the reason for their selection. Students must also include a properly cited link/article (in APA format) that provides background info on this topic.

1b. students must compose and post a substantive response to at least **THREE** different student responses.

\*\*Student topics must be instructor approved first before students can proceed with projects. Initial Instructor responses will be posted on BB. All communication/questions passed the initial response must be directed to instructor email.

**Part 2**

2a. Requires students to find a scientific journal article on their selected topic, compose a short write up including the article citation (in APA format), and a brief but substantive explanation on why they selected the article. Articles must be credible, scholarly, valid, relevant, and recent.

\*\*\*Instructor approval on articles required before students may proceed

2b. Students will conduct an extensive genre analysis on the article in essay format, using specific genre analysis questions. This is done to show genre comprehension and article understanding.

**Part 3**

3a. Requires students to compose their own **scientific narrative** that corresponds to the topic of their choosing. Students will use scientific narrative genre guidelines and conventions. (multi draft process)

* There will also be a reflection paper attached to this assignment as well that examines the engagement of rhetorical elements
* \*\*NOTE! Students are **NOT** composing scientific articles! They’re composing narratives! Be cognizant of the differences between genres!

3a.1. Fishbowl and peer review workshop

31.2. Peer review reports

3b. Final draft

**Project due dates**

Part 1a- bb post due 9/24, 8pm.

Part 1b, student responses, due 9/25, 10pm.

* Instructor permission required to continue with topic/project on BB

Part 2a- posting journal article- due Sunday 10/1

* Instructor permission required to use article

Part 2b- completing the genre analysis- due Wed 10/4 (2-3 pages), **one draft** due on BB

Part 3a- 1st draft due 10/10, 8pm on BB, (3-4 pages) final draft due on 10/6 on BB

\*\*includes the reflection paper (1-2 pages)

Part 3a.1- Fishbowl and peer review workshop on Thurs 10/12

Part 3a.2- Peer review reports due on BB on Sun 10/15, 10pm

Part 3b. Final drafts due Mon 10/16, 11:59pm on BB