General Academic Writing: Writing With Sources

Genre:	
☐ Argumentative/Persuasive	į

	Exemplary	Accomplished	Developing	Beginning	N/
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				□ Informative	

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Rhetorical Knowledge	□ Purpose is clear and focused	□ Purpose is clear but has occasional digressions	□ Purpose is somewhat clear and focused	□ Purpose is unclear and unfocused	
	□ Provides a strong context	□ Includes some context	□ Inadequately provides context	□ Does not provide context	
	□ Demonstrates a strong understanding of audience	□ Demonstrates a sufficient understanding of audience	□ Demonstrates a minor understanding of audience	☐ Fails to demonstrate audience awareness	
	□ Contributes own ideas and opinions to ongoing conversation	☐ Generally contributes ideas and opinions to ongoing conversation		☐ Does not contribute ideas and opinions	
Conventional Knowledge	☐ Adheres to organization and development genre expectations	☐ Generally adheres to organization and development genre expectations	□ Organization and/or development is difficult to follow	☐ Does not adhere to organization or development genre expectations	
	□ Paragraphs are focused and have a clear direction	□ The majority of paragraphs are focused and have a clear direction	<u> </u>	□ Paragraphs are unfocused and have an unclear direction	
	☐ Essay's sentences, paragraphs, and ideas transition and/or flow	□ Essay has occasional lapses in transitions and/or fluidity	□ Essay has frequent lapses in transitions and/or fluidity	□ Essay lacks adequate transitions and/or fluidity	
	☐ Adheres to genre expectations of tone and wording	□ Generally adheres to genre expectations of tone and wording	☐ Insufficiently adheres to genre expectations of tone and wording	□ Does not adhere tone and wording genre expectations	
Critical Thinking	☐ Strongly integrates own ideas with others	☐ Adequately integrates own ideas with others	□ Integration of own ideas with others is limited or unclear	☐ Does not integrate own ideas with others	
	□ Critically evaluates sources (bias, quality of evidence, etc.)	□ Adequately evaluates sources		☐ Does not or inaccurately evaluates sources	
	□ Considers interpretations from multiple points of view	☐ Briefly considers interpretations from multiple points of view	 □ Minimally considers alternative interpretations 	 □ Fails to consider alternative interpretations 	
	☐ Uses texts for multiple purposes (synthesis, summary, critique, etc.)	☐ Sufficiently uses texts for multiple purposes	, , ,	□ Fails to use texts for multiple purposes	
	□ Supports and analyzes major claims with appropriate material	☐ Generally supports major claims with appropriate material	□ Lacks support of major claims with appropriate material	□ Does not adequately support and/or document major claims	
anguage l Formatti	☐ Carefully constructs sentences and uses well articulated prose	 □ Prose is adequate, sentences are easily comprehended 		□ Prose is difficult to read or incomprehensible	
	☐ Has no or few grammar/ punctuation errors	□ Has occasional grammar/ punctuation errors	□ Has frequent grammar/ punctuation errors	□ Has consistent grammar/ punctuation errors	
	☐ Accurately adheres to current MLA documentation standards	☐ Has occasional errors in MLA documentation standards	☐ Has frequent errors in MLA documentation standards	☐ Does not adhere to current MLA documentation standards	