

Archival Project Proposal and Recommendation Report (Large Group Collaborative Project)

Overview and Context

Graduate students in the course will help organize and complete a project that needs to be ready by mid-semester (March 1) and that consists of a proposal to be considered by the WPA Executive Board for archiving past articles from *WPA: Writing Program Administration* on the WWW at the *TWI* site. I will submit this proposal and recommendation report to the President of the Council of Writing Program Administrators, Kathleen Blake Yancey, who will then distribute it to the Executive Board. The proposal will be taken up at the Board's annual meeting at the Conference on College Composition and Communication in Denver on March 14, 2001. I will be present at that meeting.

The completed project needs to include the following items, in electronic format, with printed copies also available:

1. A one-page proposal in the form of a resolution.
2. Supporting documentation that addresses concerns and questions (in the form of an FAQ sheet).
3. An examination of precedents (e.g., *Journal of Advanced Composition*).
4. A feasibility study, including a discussion of the consequences for the print journal, costs incurred, and timeline for completion.
5. A working prototype of one article, showing the Executive Board what such an article would look like on the WWW in digital form.

Most students in the class will be involved in the project in some capacity. Graduate students will plan, organize and provide leadership after first meeting with me to plan the project. Undergraduates will be assigned production-related tasks as needed, on a volunteer basis. (Graduate students will request assistance and offer production-related points for completing the task.) This project counts for 10% of the course grade for graduate students, who are working on a 110% scale; for undergraduates, the work on this project will count toward Activity #4, Production, and will earn a number of points appropriate to the individual activity.

Due Date

A full draft of all materials is due in electronic format (as file attachments sent to blakesle@purdue.edu) by Thursday, February 22.

Useful Links

The WPA Council's Website: <http://www.cas.ilstu.edu/English/Hesse/wpawelcome.htm>

Sample Resolution Format: http://icdweb.cc.purdue.edu/~blakesle/515/sample_resolution.doc
http://icdweb.cc.purdue.edu/~blakesle/515/sample_resolution.PDF

Journal of Advanced Composition: <http://jac.gsu.edu/>