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What kind of writing is required of our students?

As graduates:

Reports including research reports
Business e-mails
Strategic advice
Management advice
Proposals
Marketing and sales materials

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Sample from E.B. S module: The importance of technology - to practice adding the student's voice.

Sample from CHI module: Twitter - to practice paraphrasing.

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Proposals
Marketing and sales related materials
Plans of approach
Research proposals
Theses

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Challenge: Academic writing versus writing for the industry.



Goal: Enabling our students to demonstrate their analytical thinking skills.





WID: Embedded course components using industry & academic writing. Marrying academic writing conventions and industry report writing.

How can writing be embedded in the curriculum?

Criteria for assessing writing? - Academic conventions? - Ability to assess value of sources (academic literacy?)? - Ability to combine student voice and expert opinions? - Ability to contrast and compare? WID: Embedded course components using industry & academic writing.



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- Ability to establish clear links?
 - Ability to adapt to a specific audience?

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