Discussions with Prof. Bates regarding Comm. 100

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Hi Prof. Bates,

My name is Tim and I'll be the librarian providing instruction to your Comm 100 students this coming Friday 2/22.

Typically before each instruction session I will reach out to the associated professor and see what topics they would like for me to cover. I also like to see if there's an upcoming assignment or paper that I should be addressing during my instruction session.

Below are some topics that I try to touch upon during the session. Please let me know which ones should be addressed:

- Finding books and ebooks using the library catalog
- Using databases like EBSCO's Academic Search Complete to research academic topics. This includes using built-in search tools like date ranges and "peer-reviewed only" search limiters.
- Using databases like Gale's Opposing Viewpoints to locate different perspectives on current events
- Using print and online resources (Gale Virtual Reference Library) to find reliable background information on a topic
- Developing college-level research topics and searchable keyword lists
- Using database citation tools to create a list of properly formatted (APA or MLA) references

Thank you for your help here. I look forward to seeing you and your students this Friday at 8:30.

Thanks,

Tim Ream

Wed February 20, 2019, 3:52 PM

Hi Tim,

Thanks in advance for meeting with my class. The instruction session will be most helpful for the classes upcoming informative and persuasive research projects and presentations. They will not begin these assignments for several more weeks. We are starting to put together the different components of these assignments, one of which is where to find material/ research for these assignments. At this point, they are aware of the assignments but have not selected specific research subjects. I wanted them to be exposed to research tools and strategies before they select a topic. That way they can check if there will be research available to them on the topics they are interested in. After you are finished with them, we are going downstairs to work with your reference books; which will be unrelated to what you are covering and is

unrelated to their informative and persuasive assignments. If it is helpful, I have a detailed description of their assignments as well as examples posted on the following link www.wix.com/speechisfun/fullerton hopefully that helps. Let me know if there is anything else I can do to assist you. I will be in the room during the orientation. Looking forward to seeing you on Fri. thanks ben

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Thank you Prof. Bates. This helps tremendously. I will see you on Friday.

Thanks,

Tim Ream