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During my time taking this course I have been able to learn many things from the class and things I did not know about myself also. In the first unit, we learned about discourse communities and it made me look at and think about the ones that I was a part of. I never really realized that we all act differently depending on which group we are around. Something else I learned from this course was being able to get reliable sources from a data center. Whenever I needed to do research I would typically just google it and start looking at different pages. Sometimes you find stuff you need but other times not, but by looking at the data centers we were able to find reliable sources that are entry-level that would allow you to get your research easier. Being in this course has also taught me that I should be improving my reading and writing skills all the time, we are constantly always reading and writing whether it's at home, outside, or even at work. That is why I need to improve my skills because I will have to be reading and writing for the rest of my life and I don't want to be making mistakes that other people will be seeing.

Some of the things I have learned about myself as a reader would be that I prefer readings that tell a story like the Antigone play and the one reading we did early on Mothers Toungue. I found myself wanting to finish the reading because I found it interesting. I found it odd because I don't read books, plays or stories instead I would rather watch it or listen to it. The other two

readings like Douglass's speech and Wollstonecrafts's letter I did not enjoy since they were longer readings and I found myself getting distracted while reading them. Things I have learned as a writer would be that I would prefer to write something that requires research like the Unit 2 and 3 projects unlike the the discourse community. I found it hard to think about which discourse communities I was a part of since I really don't interact that much outside of home. That made the writing difficult since I just needed to sit and think about it. Unlike the unit 2 and 3 about the annotated bibliography and multimodal project since I knew what information I had to look for and immediately start writing about it and with the multimodal piece I had an idea early on how I wanted to present the unit 2 work.

After taking this course I would definitely transfer the things I learned from this course into other situations. One being what I discussed already about gathering research from datacenters for future classes. Secondly, another would be the experience overall because I found myself being to busy focusing on my other classes that required a lot of homework and quizzes and test I needed to study for. I wish I would have made more time for this course since I was always rushing to get things done for it and for the classes I should have set a schedule to work on them in a timely manner. I will apply this for the future semesters in order to not struggle the same way I did this semester. This would also be my advice for other students who take this class to not let the work stay for last minute and rush to do many at the same time.