

Interview With Your Advisor

For this assignment, you will speak with your advisor, learn about him/her, and summarize what you learn in an essay.

To begin this assignment, contact your advisor and set up a meeting. You should do this during the week this assignment is given out, and it would be best to meet during your advisor's regularly scheduled office hours.

If you do not yet have an advisor, see Linda Douglas in the Division of Social Sciences Main Office, Kethley 205.

Read over the Advisor Worksheet to prepare for the interview. Your interview should last approximately 15 minutes. Collect information that will help you address the questions on the worksheet. Use a separate sheet of paper to take notes and record the answers. This does not have to be a "formal" interview – it should be more like a conversation with your advisor, and you can talk about any topics you like. At some point during the conversation, however, you should collect information to complete the worksheet.

Note that under the section on "Interests," you only need to ask your advisor two of the five questions listed. You also should come up with two questions on your own, prior to the interview. You should pose these questions to your advisor and record the responses.

Once you have completed the interview, sit down and **type up the responses in a narrative**. Your essay should introduce the reader to your advisor and convey who he or she is.

Turn in both your narrative and your interview worksheet/notes on the date indicated on the course syllabus.