

Opening Day Questionnaire

I distributed the following questionnaire to all students on the first day. Among the most important questions in terms of students' understanding of interdisciplinarity were the queries about students' previous experiences and their definition of interdisciplinarity. These helped me understand what students thought "interdisciplinary" meant at the outset, providing a sort of baseline.


Name _____

Major _____

E-mail address _____

Phone number _____

Have you taken any interdisciplinary courses before? If so, please list them. 

How would you define the term "interdisciplinary"? 

What is "work"?

What would you do to learn about work in Youngstown?



What kind of work do most people in the Mahoning Valley do?

How does work affect the lives of individuals?

How does work affect this community?

What social class do you belong to? What is it about your life that makes you part of that class?

What class did your parents belong to when they were your age? What aspects of their lives assign them to that class?

How many members of your family, other than yourself, have attended college?