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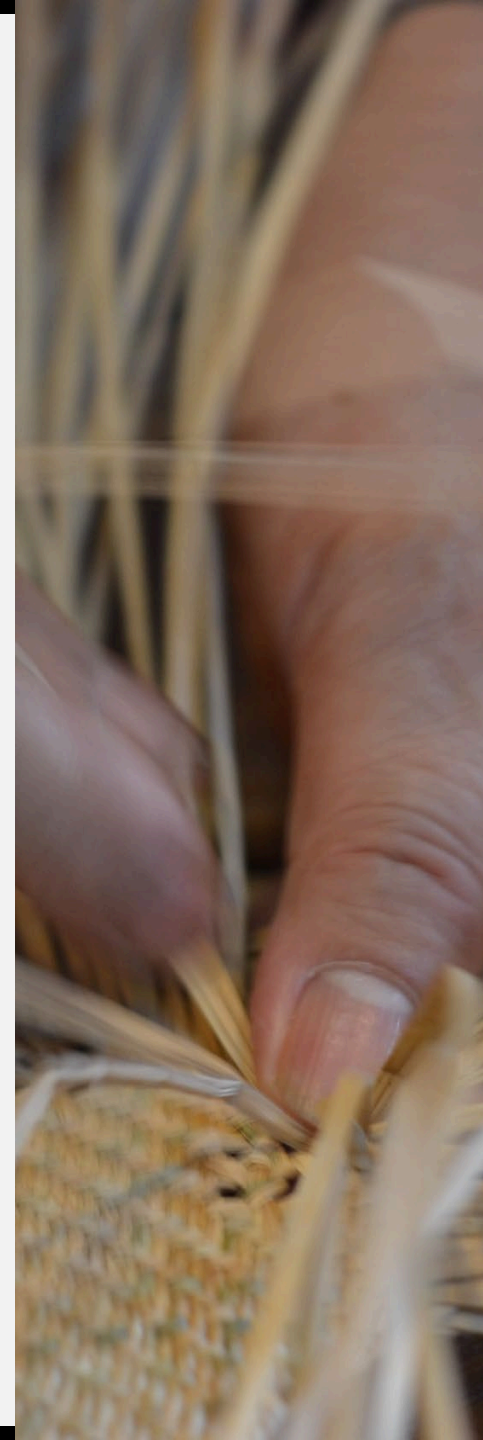
# CleaR Fellowship 2020. Dr Ana María Benton Academic writing as a language barrier. A learning framework



# RESEARCH QUESTIONS

*Started by a self-reflective stance and a critical inquiry into my own writing development journey*



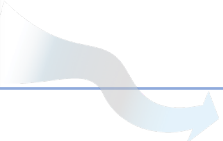
- What elements facilitated my understanding and development of English academic writing for my doctoral studies as an EAL PhD student? → What elements may facilitate EAL or other students' understanding and development of English academic writing at the level required by their university degree?
- What was central to my personal process of reconnecting with my writing 'voice' that allowed me to ('flow') feel more at ease with English academic writing, to focus on developing my study –on meaning, on the content-- more than on the form -the writing structure-? → What might be central to students' own personal process of reconnecting with their writing 'voice' that could allow them to ('flow') feel more at ease with English academic writing?
- What would a critical view to language teaching and academic writing development contribute to the current process? → How could this critical perspective affect common assumptions held by lecturers and supervisors and, thus, transform the way they approach students developing academic capabilities (language, critical thinking, writing)



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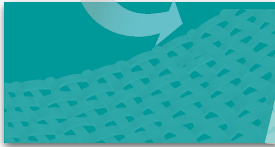


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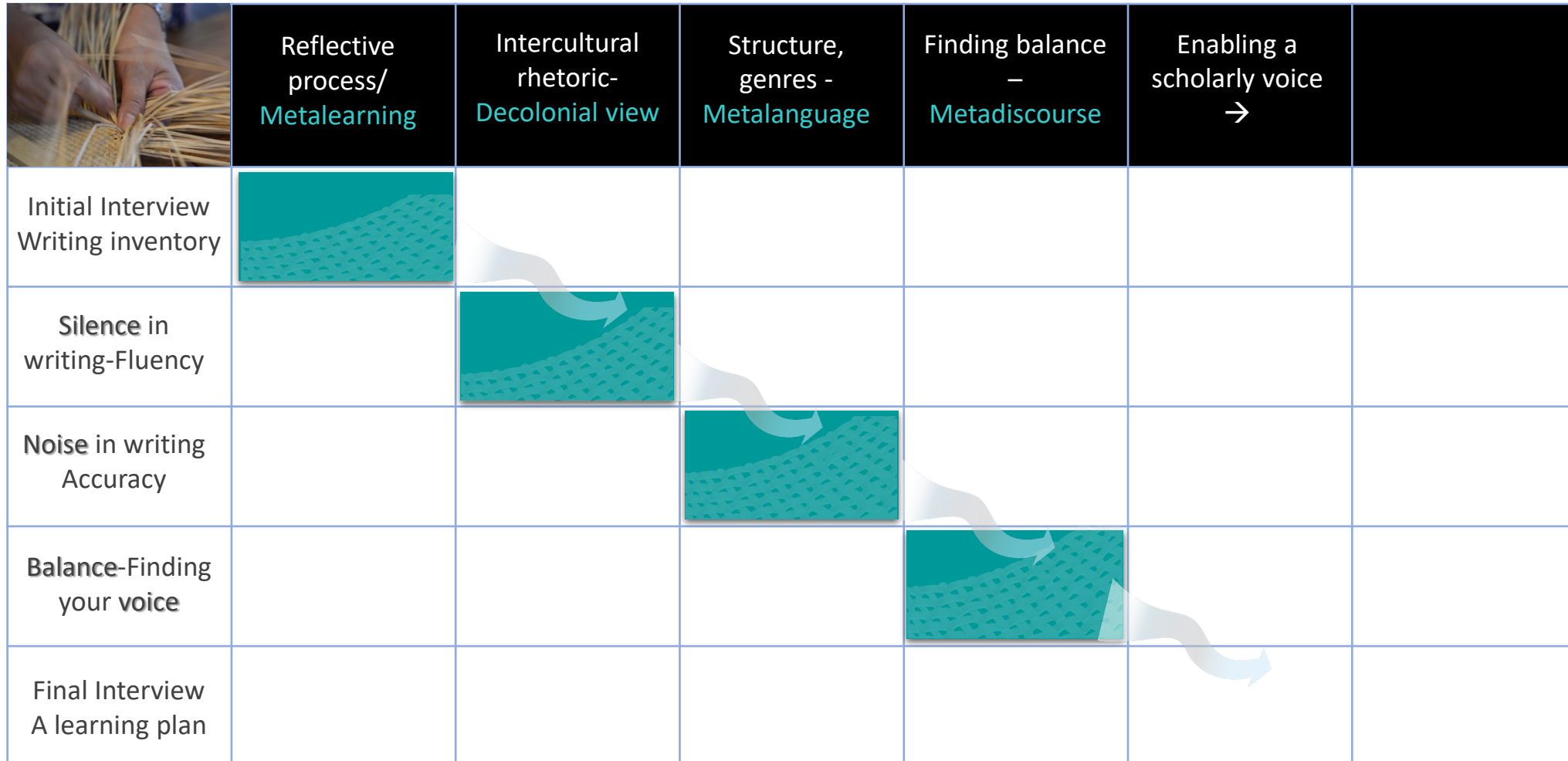
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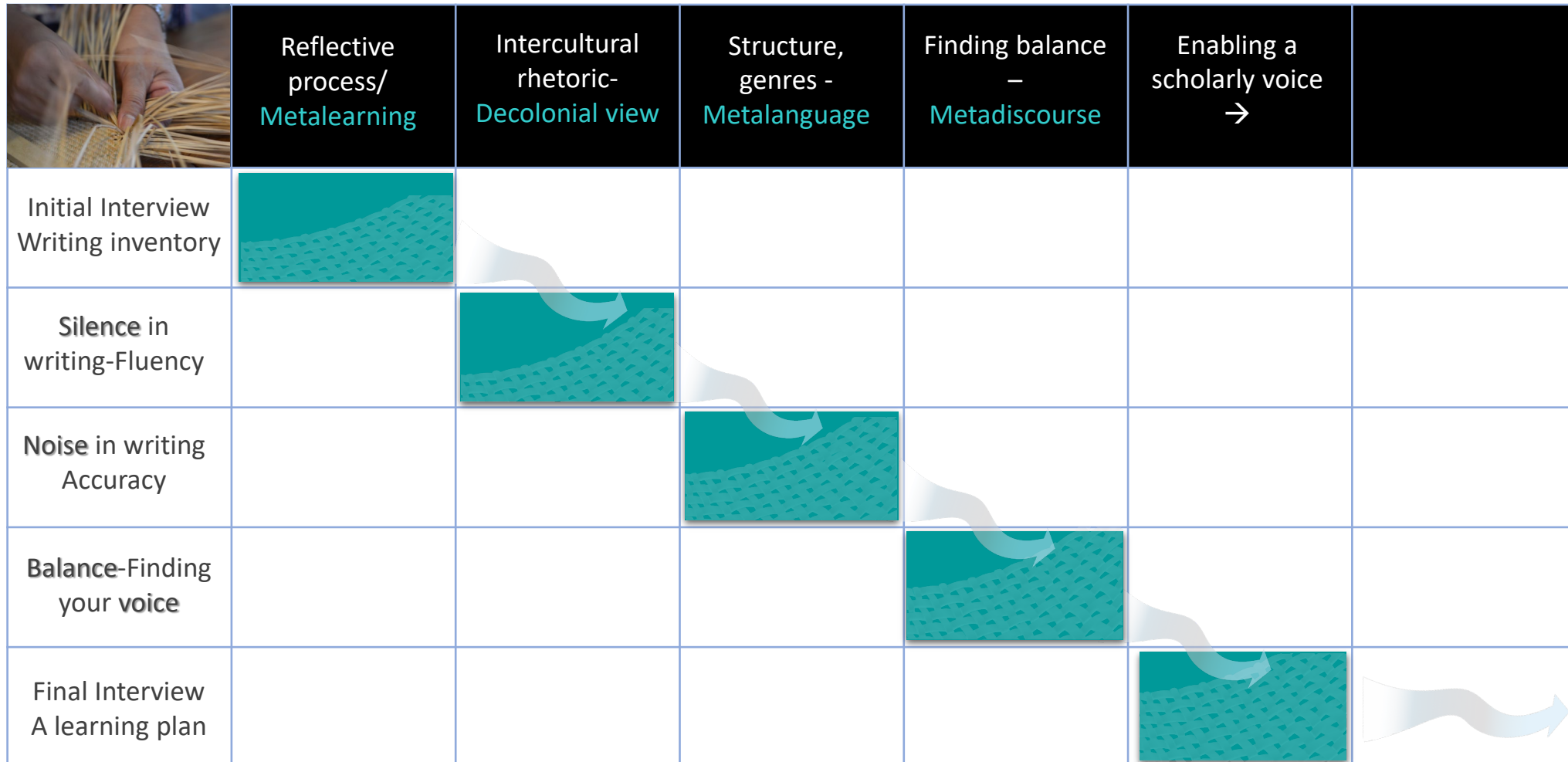
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