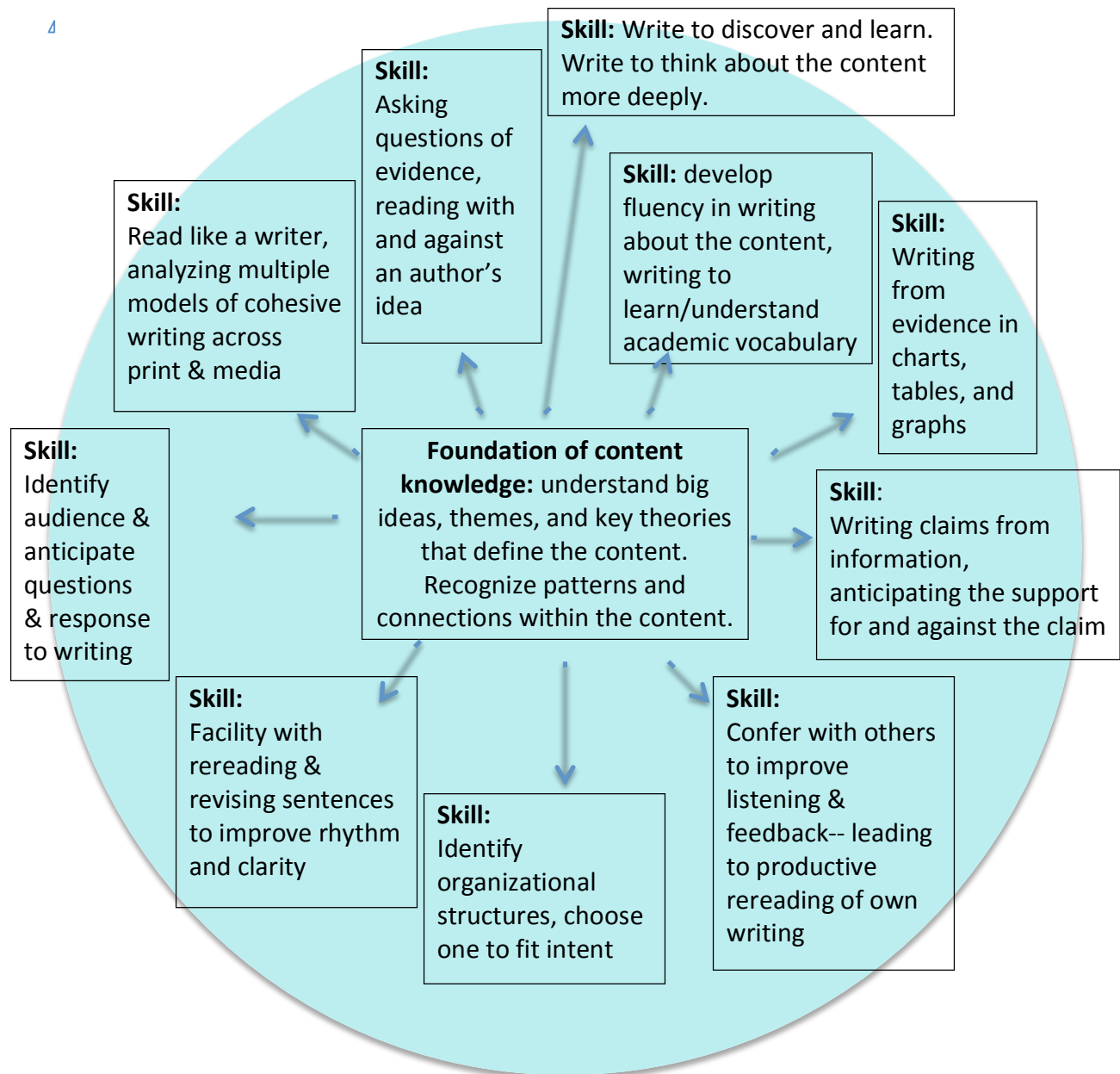


## Deepening Understanding of Content & Increasing Independence in Writing



**Goal:** Develop writing that is informative and persuasive, complete, supported with evidence, clear, smart, and balanced. It advances the conversation within the discipline and demonstrates facility with its conventions... confidence in writing is demonstrated in word choice, tone, and clarity in multiple genres (from feature articles to essays and arguments).

**In writing process this means:** how a student develops an idea, understands what information is needed to support it, then organizes, analyzes and refines writing in response to the needs or questions of a real or imagined audience with limited teacher direction.