

Sample Editing Log

Date Logged	Project	Time Spent	Time Billed	Hours Left
1/8/2018	Initial Phone Call	0.5	0	
1/13/2018	20 Hour Retainer @20% Discount			20.0
1/14/2018	Chapter 1—Rough Cut	2.0	2.0	18.0
1/14/2018	Chapter 2—Rough Cut	3.5	3.5	14.5
1/15/2018	Chapter 3—Rough Cut	2.0	2.0	12.5
1/15/2018	References	1.5	1.5	11.0
1/16/2018	Phone Call	0.25	0.25	10.75
1/16/2018	Chapters 1-2-3 Copy Editing	2.0	2.0	8.75
	Phone Call	0.75	0.5	8.25
5/11/2018	Chapter 4—Rough Cut	2.25	2.25	6.0
5/11/2018	Chapter 5—Rough Cut	2.0	2.0	4.0
5/12/2018	Chapters 4-5 Copy Editing	1.5	1.5	2.5
5/12/2018	References—Missing, Formatting	2.0	2.0	0.5
5/12/2018	Appendices	0.5	0.5	0
5/13/2018	APA Formatting	1.5	1.5	-1.5
5/13/2018	Table of Contents	1.5	1.5	-3.0
5/13/2018	Final Invoice @ 20% Discount Rate			3.0

Invoicing Process

Emails: Responses to emails with quick questions are not billed.

Phone Calls: Quick phone calls about a specific question are not billed. Longer phone calls discussing manuscripts or personal coaching are billed for time used rounding to the nearest 15 minute increment. A 25 minute call will be billed at 30 minutes; a 35 minute call will be billed at 30 minutes. Chatting and catching up on life are not included in billing. (I like to get to know my clients!)

Editing: Editing is billed to the minute and conducted without distractions. Things taking under 60 seconds are not considered distractions (i.e. taking a sip of coffee, blowing my nose, putting paper in the printer, etc.). Anything taking longer than that will stop the clock (i.e. taking a phone call, grabbing coffee or water, eating lunch, etc.). I typically stop at the end of a 15 minute increment to make billing clear and fair. At the end of a project, or portion of project, time used will be rounded to the nearest 15 minute increment. A project that takes 3 hours and 40 minutes will be billed as 3.75 hours; a project that takes 3 hours and 50 minutes will be billed as 3.75 hours.