

Graduate Writing Week

Date	Time	Seminar Title
December 9 Monday	10:30am - 11:30am Zoom	Surviving Graduate School
December 9 Monday	11:30am - 12:30pm Zoom	The Writing Process: Organizing and Structuring Your Work
December 9 Monday	1:30 - 2:30pm Zoom	Writing Clearly and Concisely
December 10 Tuesday	11:30am - 12:30pm Zoom	Writing Your Literature Review
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December 11 Wednesday	1:30 - 2:30pm Zoom	Summarizing Your Research Into an Abstract
December 12 Thursday	11:30am - 12:30pm Zoom	Punctuation
December 12 Thursday	1:30 - 2:30pm Zoom	Writing Your Thesis or Dissertation
December 12 Thursday	2:30 - 3:30pm Zoom	Getting Published
December 13 Friday	11:30am - 12:30pm Zoom	Editing and Proofreading

Surviving Graduate School

In this seminar, we will learn strategies for a fruitful graduate school experience. We will address topics such as motivation, time management, reducing anxiety, well-being, writing strategies, and available resources.

• The Writing Process: Organizing and Structuring Your Work

In this seminar we'll learn strategies such as modelling, diagramming, and storyboarding to better structure and organize your written work. We'll address some common obstacles and how to integrate writing as a practice that accompanies the ongoing development of your intellectual identity.

Writing Clearly and Concisely

This session addresses common misconceptions about the language and style of 'graduate-level writing' by arguing that clarity of ideas should always be every academic's top priority.

Writing Your Literature Review

This seminar examines the purpose of a literature review in proposals, manuscripts, and your thesis or dissertation. We'll look at how literature reviews justify your work, legitimate your approach, and define your scholarly identity.

Writing Effective Research Proposals

A research proposal can determine your path through graduate studies, your potential funding, and your academic and professional future. In this seminar we'll look at the components that make up successful research proposals.

Refining Your Grammar Skills

This seminar addresses the more prominent differences between the casual tone and syntax of spoken English and the conventions of formal academic writing.

Summarizing Your Research into an Abstract

They're short. We all have to write them. In this seminar we'll examine what it takes to represent your research, manuscript, thesis, dissertation, or conference paper, and your academic identity, in just a few hundred words.

Punctuation

This seminar details the functions of different punctuation marks in academic writing, including the colon and semicolon, the apostrophe, and a special emphasis on the varied uses of commas. This seminar also provides guidelines on how to incorporate references to numbers in written form.

Writing Your Thesis or Dissertation

In this seminar we'll learn how to set writing goals, find out where to find resources to demystify the process, and gain insights into the expectations of supervisors and committees. This seminar also addresses how to be active (instead of reactive) and take ownership of your work.

Getting Published

This seminar begins by unpacking the peer review process. We'll address how to write to your target publication, how to incorporate citations in a manuscript, the "so what?" question, and the merits of writing for audiences beyond your discipline.

Editing and Proofreading

This seminar examines the different stages of the writing process with a specific focus on the revision stage. Strategies for identifying structural or mechanical problems in the writing are presented along with advice on such concerns as enhancing the flow of ideas in a document and avoiding the use of stilted or imprecise language.