Summer 2007 Workshops and Programs

Prospectus/Proposal Boot Camp, August 2007
Are you currently working on your prospectus/proposal and need to get that $%^@# thing done? Come to Prospectus Boot Camp! [click here for schedule and information] Applications are closed.

Summer Dissertation Institute Information
[click for schedule and information]
Applications are closed.

Dissertation Workshops

These workshops are open to ALL UCLA graduate students (You do NOT need to be enrolled in the Summer Dissertation Institute).

Strategic Organizing for Dissertation Writing: from day-to-day, to long-range goals. (for Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences)
with Jeannine Murray-Román (Comparative Literature) and Tina Arora (Education)
This workshop offers some strategies on how to make steady progress on your dissertation from the micro everyday approach while bearing in mind larger deadlines and the macro goals of the project.
Wednesday, June 27th, 1:30-3:00pm
Location: Graduate Student Resource Center, B11 Student Activities Center

Getting Started on Dissertations in the Natural and Biomedical Sciences
with Elizabeth O'Hare (Neuroscience)
This workshop will discuss the basics of writing dissertations in the sciences. Topics to be covered include identifying the type of dissertation you want to write, conducting a literature review, organizational and motivational strategies, and more. There will be ample time for questions.
Wednesday, June 27th, 3:30-5:00pm
Location: Graduate Student Resource Center, B11 Student Activities Center

Getting Started on the Dissertation: How to Get Going and Keep Going
with Marilyn Gray, Graduate Writing Center Coordinator
This workshop gives an overview of organization, time management, writing process issues and writing strategies. Recommended for people working on their first chapter, but useful for all stages.
Wednesday, July 11th, 1:30-3:00pm
Location: Kerckhoff 135 (located one floor below the Kerckhoff Coffee House)

Dissertation Writing Strategies for ESL Graduate Students
with Netta Avineri (TESL and Applied Linguistics)
In this interactive workshop, ESL graduate students will learn strategies to get through the dissertation process. In addition, we will discuss useful on-campus, online, and print resources that will help students to work independently to improve their writing. There will also be time for questions and answers about ESL writing issues and concerns.
Wednesday, July 11th, 3:30-5:00pm
Location: Kerckhoff 135 (located one floor below the Kerckhoff Coffee House)

Overcoming Procrastination, Perfectionism and Other Pitfalls During the Dissertation Process  
_with Dr. Alan Nagamoto, Student Psychological Services_
Dr. Nagamoto oversees the dissertation support groups at Student Psychological Services and has years of experience working with graduate students. He will explain how to overcome some of the major pitfalls common to dissertators.

**Wednesday, July 18th, 1:30-3:00pm**
Location: Graduate Student Resource Center -- B11 Student Activities Center (basement level)

Revision Workshop: Strategies for Editing and Revising Your Dissertation  
_with Marilyn Gray, Graduate Writing Center Coordinator_
This workshop will be a hands-on workshop to give people ideas and strategies for how to revise longer texts, such as dissertation chapters. Please bring a hard copy of your own work, in the range of 25-40 double-spaced pages.

**Wednesday, July 18th, 3:30-5:00pm**
Location: Graduate Student Resource Center -- B11 Student Activities Center (basement level)

Dissertation Writing Groups, Support Groups and Resources for Graduate Students Panel
Panel Members:  
Dr. Alan Nagamoto, Student Psychological Services  
Christine Wilson, Graduate Student Resource Center Coordinator  
Marilyn Gray, Graduate Writing Center Coordinator  
Tina Arora, Education  
Jeannine Murray-Román, Comparative Literature

The purpose of this workshop is to help graduate students figure out how receive the support they need during the dissertation process. It will cover the principles of how to start and run your own dissertation writing group. It will also provide information about support groups and resources that are available to graduate students at UCLA.

**Wednesday, July 25, 1:30-3:00pm**
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center

Citation and Academic Integrity Issues for Dissertators  
_with Patti Caravello, YRL Librarian_
This workshop will address academic integrity at the dissertation/thesis stage and offer practical guidance for citing sources and using information ethically.

**Wednesday, August 1, 1:30-3:00pm**
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center

Writing Statistical Results  
_with Christine Wells, Statistical Consulting Group, UCLA Academic Technology Services_
Whether writing the results section of a dissertation or publication, many people find writing the results section challenging, difficult and sometimes even painful. In this seminar, we will discuss ways of making this process easier and more manageable, including helpful preparation steps and resources for specific wording. General guidelines regarding what to include (and what not to include) in the results section will also be provided.

**Wednesday, August 15th, 1:30-3:00pm**
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center

Revision Workshop: Strategies for Revising Longer Texts  
_with Marilyn Gray, Graduate Writing Center Coordinator_
This workshop will be a hands-on workshop to give people ideas and strategies for how to revise longer texts, such as dissertation chapters or proposals. Please bring a hard copy of your own work, at least 15-20 double-spaced pages (more is fine). If you would like to do some of the preparation work ahead of time, start working on a backwards outline by tagging each
Endnote Workshop for Graduate Students
with Miki Goral, Young Research Library
Search online bibliographic databases, organize references, images and PDFs in any language, and create bibliographies instantly!

Wednesday, August 22nd, 1:30-3:00pm
Location: East Electronic Classroom, Young Research Library

Achieving Focus and Balancing Life During the Dissertation Process
with Dr. Christina Miller, Associate Director, Center for Women & Men

Wednesday, August 29, 1:30-3pm
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center

RSVPs are encouraged (to help us make sure we have enough room and enough handouts), but not required. To RSVP, please send and email to gwc@gsa.asucla.ucla.edu, with the subject heading "rsvp workshop"