

UCLA Graduate Writing Center

The Graduate Writing Center
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The Graduate
Writing Center is
a free service
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Appointments

The Graduate Writing Center (GWC) offers FREE 50-minute appointments with friendly, experienced writing consultants to all registered UCLA graduate and professional school students year round. Consultation appointments may be used for any academic or professional writing, including but not limited to:

course papers • articles and publications
abstracts • fellowship and grant application materials
thesis and dissertation drafts • proposal and prospectus drafts
oral presentations • strategies for written examinations
job applications • cover letters • personal statements

The goal of the GWC is to help you become an effective writer and communicator in your academic or professional field. Our writing consultants come from different disciplines, so you may select a consultant in a field close to yours or a consultant with experience in the type of document you are currently writing (see the writing consultant bios web page for more information). Writing consultants will work with you on writing issues ranging from organization and argumentation to grammar and style, but they will not proofread or edit your writing for you. They will review writing and make recommendations for improvements. ***To make an appointment***, please use our online appointment system: <https://gwc.gsrc.ucla.edu/Appointments>

Workshops

The GWC offers general writing workshops that address writing skills and strategies. We also provide workshops on more specialized issues, such as fellowship writing, dissertation writing, or ESL writing issues. Other workshops address writing topics within the academic areas of Humanities & Arts, Social Sciences, and Sciences & Engineering. We have also recorded some of our past workshops, which may be found online. Please consult our workshops web page for the most current information. <http://gwc.gsrc.ucla.edu/Workshops>

Thesis and Dissertation Support

The GWC offers various programs to support graduate students working on dissertations, dissertation proposals, or master's theses. During the summer we hold multi-session boot camps on dissertation writing. During the academic year, we offer other types of programs and writing groups. For more information, see: <http://gwc.gsrc.ucla.edu/programs>

Graduate Writing Center Workshops by Genre or Topic

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for the most
up-to-date
workshop
and program
information.

If you have any
questions, please
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Workshops & Programs

General Topics:

Writing in the Humanities
Writing in the Social Sciences
Personal Statements
Memos/White Papers
Literature Reviews

Writing of Academic Professionals:

Grant/Fellowship Application Essays
Abstracts, Conference Proposals
Conference Papers & Presentations
Scientific Writing
Journal Articles

Degree Requirements:

Master's Theses
Dissertation Proposals
Dissertations

Writing Skills:

Editing Strategies
Email Etiquette
Academic English Skills

Extended Thesis & Dissertation Programs:

Humanities Dissertations, Dissertation Prospectuses (Summer)
Social Science Dissertations, Dissertation Proposals (Summer)
Master's Thesis Mentoring Program (Fall, Winter)
Writing Retreats with STEM workshops (Spring, Summer)

Workshop Videos

The GWC has recorded a number of workshops on a variety of writing topics, including many of the topics above. We also have workshop videos on publishing outside academia, policy writing, nonprofit grant writing, and more. View them all at https://gwc.gsrc.ucla.edu/workshop_videos.

Fellowship & Grant Resources

The GWC has assembled an online collection of fellowship and grant resources for UCLA graduate students. These resources include basic information, links, and videos pertaining to major extramural fellowships as well as samples of successful application essays available for view. The materials are managed by the GWC and made available to UCLA graduate students who request access. Go to <https://gwc.gsrc.ucla.edu/fellowship-grant-archive> for more information.