UCLA Graduate Writing Center

Free writing support for UCLA graduate and professional students. *Year round*.

The Graduate Writing Center

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GWC Website

Email Us

@uclagwc

The Graduate Writing Center is a free service funded by the Graduate Students Association and managed by Student Affairs.

Our Online Appointment System - 12twenty
For making appointments and registering for events, the GWC uses 12twenty.

For more information, please visit the UCLA Career Center website.

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APPOINTMENTS

The Graduate Writing Center (GWC) offers FREE 50-minute appointments with experienced writing consultants to all registered UCLA graduate and professional students year round. Take advantage of this resource while at UCLA!

Consultation appointments may be used for any academic or professional writing, including but not limited to:

- Course Papers
- Personal Statements
- Fellowship & Grant Essays
- Journal Articles & Publications
- Memos & White Papers
- Oral Presentations
- Conference Papers & Abstracts
- Theses, Capstones, & Dissertations
- Proposal & Prospectus Drafts
- Job Applications & Cover Letters

Our consultants represent a range of disciplines, allowing you to select someone in a related field or with experience in the type of document you are writing. Visit the consultant bios webpage to learn more about their academic backgrounds.

Consultants can help you with:

- Developing & organizing ideas
- Strengthening your argument
- Improving clarity of writing
- Document structure & conventions
- Writing & revision strategies
- Grammar, punctuation, & style

Consultants will not:

- Proofread work for you
- Edit or revise work for you
- Correct grammar or mechanics without your active engagement
- Review documents before your appointment

Make an appointment.

WORKSHOPS

The GWC offers workshops every quarter, including summer. GWC workshops address general writing skills and strategies as well as strategies for writing specific documents (e.g., fellowship and grant writing, dissertation and thesis writing, and Master's capstones). Other workshops cover topics within the academic areas of Humanities and Arts, Social Sciences, and STEM fields.

View upcoming workshops.

THESIS, CAPSTONE, AND DISSERTATION SUPPORT

The GWC offers writing groups and programs to support students working on dissertations, dissertation proposals or prospectuses, or master's theses or capstones, including writing retreats and multi-session boot camps.

Learn more about our programs.

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WORKSHOPS BY GENRE OR TOPIC

Please consult our website for the most up-to-date workshop, program, and appointment information. If you have any questions, please email the Graduate Writing Center (gwc@gsa.asucla.ucla.edu).

GENERAL TOPICS

- Strategic Reading & Notetaking
- Fellowships & Writing
- Personal Statements
- Time & Project Management for Writing
- Literature Reviews

TOPICS FOR ACADEMIC PROFESSIONALS

- Publishing Journal Articles
- Conference Papers & Presentations
- Public Speaking in Academia
- Effective Scientific Writing
- Effective Figures/Visuals

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

- Master's Theses/Capstones
- Dissertation Proposals/Prospectuses
- Dissertations

WRITING SKILLS

- Editing & Revision Strategies
- Academic English Skills
- Using Apps & Tools with Writing

EXTENDED THESIS & DISSERTATION PROGRAMS

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

WORKSHOP VIDEOS

The GWC has recorded workshops on writing topics, including many of the above topics and additional topics, such as publishing outside academia, policy writing, nonprofit grant writing, and more.

View All Workshop Videos.

FELLOWSHIP & GRANT RESOURCES

The GWC has assembled an online collection of fellowship and grant resources for UCLA graduate and professional students. These resources include essential information, links, and videos pertaining to major extramural fellowships as well as samples of successful application essays available for viewing.

Access the Fellowship & Grant Archive.