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 a variety of disciplines, so you are welcome to 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 help you with 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 samples and make recommendations to help you improve your writing and avoid common problems. 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 topics like grammar, style, revision, and editing. 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
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We partner with the UCLA Library, IDRE Stats Computing, & the Career Center

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Introductory-Level Writing:
Writing in the Humanities
Writing in the Social Sciences
Scientific/Engineering Papers
Memos/White Papers
Literature Reviews

Degree Requirements:
Master’s Theses
Dissertation Proposals
Dissertations

Writing of Academic Professionals:
Abstracts, Conference Proposals
Conference Papers & Powerpoint Presentations
Journal Articles
Scientific Writing
Stats Writing
Grant/Fellowship Writing (NSF, NIH, Fulbright, etc.)

Academic Job Market/Career-Related:
Teaching Statements, Research Statements
Personal Statements (e.g., for Residencies)
(For help with CVs/Resumes, Cover Letters, see the Career Center
http://career.ucla.edu/PhD-Masters-Career-Services)

Writing Skills:
Workshops for Non-Native Speakers of English
Review of Grammar, Punctuation, Style
How to Make an Argument
Revising Longer Texts
Editing Strategies

Extended Thesis/Dissertation Programs:
Humanities Dissertations, Dissertation Prospectuses (Summer)
Social Science Dissertations, Dissertation Proposals (Summer)
STEM Dissertations, Dissertation Proposals (Spring, Summer)
Humanities & Social Sciences Master’s Theses (Fall, Winter)
STEM Master’s Theses (Spring, Summer)

Research Support from Other Offices:
Library: Research, Citation, EndNote, Other Topics
http://www.library.ucla.edu/support/research-help/attend-research-workshop
ATS Stats Consulting: SPSS, STATA, Other Stats Software
https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/other/mult-pkg/seminars/

Please consult our website for the most up-to-date workshop and appointment information.