SCIENCES & ENGINEERING WRITING WORKSHOPS

Presented by the UCLA Graduate Writing Center

Best Practices for Writing Your Master’s Thesis
Netta Avineri, Applied Linguistics & TESL
This workshop will begin with a discussion of scope, expectations, and time constraints as related to master’s theses. We will then consider writing and organizational strategies for the typical components of master’s theses in different disciplines. Lastly, we will discuss approaches to and tips for revision of the project. Students at any stage of writing are encouraged to attend.
Thursday, April 3rd, 12:00-1:30pm
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center (basement level)

Writing Dissertation Proposals in the Natural Sciences
Elizabeth O’Hare, Neuroscience IDP Program
This workshop will provide a content-specific overview of science dissertation proposals using the NIH NRSA grant format as a template. All of its major components will be reviewed and discussed: the background and significance section, the methodology section, and expected results and caveats section. We will cover specific writing strategies that you can use in your proposals and grant applications.
Tuesday, April 8th, 4:00-6:00pm
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center (basement level)

Funding Your Graduate Work: Tips and Strategies for Grant, Fellowship, and Award Applications in the Sciences
Elizabeth O’Hare, Neuroscience IDP Program
This workshop will provide an overview of funding opportunities for science graduate students at all stages of training (first year to dissertation year). The first part of the workshop will include a discussion of different funding opportunities and resources. We will also review some basic organizational and preparation strategies you can use in your applications. There will be ample time for questions.
Tuesday, April 22nd, 4:00-5:30pm
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center (basement level)

Grammar, Punctuation, and Style 101: A Refresher Workshop on All the Grammar You’ve Forgotten
Jodie Katon, Epidemiology; Andrea Olinger, Applied Linguistics & TESL
This workshop will review grammar, punctuation, style, and usage and strategies for proofreading your own work. The target audience is native speakers of English who feel rusty on grammar, but ESL students are welcome to attend. Topics will reflect participants’ interests but will likely include parallel structure, misplaced and dangling modifiers, active and passive voice, commas, semicolons, apostrophes, who versus whom, which versus that, and tricky subject-verb agreement issues.
Wednesday, April 23rd, 3:00-5:00pm
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center (basement level)

Nuts and Bolts of NIH NRSA Applications
Elizabeth O’Hare, Neuroscience IDP Program
This workshop will cover the NIH NRSA application process. We will discuss ways of making this process easier and more manageable, including preparation, organization and writing strategies.
Tuesday, May 20th, 4:00-5:30pm
Location: Conference Room 4, Student Activities Center (basement level)

The Graduate Writing Center is located in B11, Student Activities Center
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