

Postgraduate Academic Writing Programme



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The College of Graduate Studies is pleased to announce that we are now accepting registrations for the 2026 cycle of our tailor-made “Postgraduate Academic Writing Programme”. At the CGS, we are committed to postgraduate pedagogical excellence, and we strive to respond to the support needs of our students. This programme was developed to assist our postgraduate students with the academic writing competencies that are needed to excel in their research journeys.

All sessions will be offered online, from 18:00 to 19:30, and the content will also be accessible via recordings for asynchronous engagement.

Students will benefit optimally from the course if they attend all sessions.

The course consists of 12 sessions, divided into 3 blocks (90 minutes per session), plus 2 capstone sessions (60 minutes per session).

REGISTER NOW

Registration Link: <https://forms.office.com/r/ev0VmrmEkb>

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More information:

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Block 1 will run from 26 May to 17 June 2026

Block 2 will run from 23 June to 13 July 2026

Block 3 will run from 21 July to 4 August 2026

PLUS 2 Capstone Integration sessions 24 & 31 August 2026

Session information:

Session 1: Writing as Argument: Foundations of Postgraduate Academic Writing

Session 2: From Ideas to Structured Text: Paragraphing, Logical Flow and Ethical Use of AI in Academic Writing

Session 3: Writing Critically: Moving Beyond Description in Postgraduate Scholarship

Session 4: Developing Authorial Voice: Scholarly Positioning in Postgraduate Writing

Session 5: From Paragraphs to Chapters: Structuring Extended Arguments in Theses and Dissertations

Session 6: Writing with Sources: Integrating Literature, Theory and Evidence

Session 7: Writing with Clarity and Precision: Refining Academic Style at Postgraduate Level

Session 8: Revising for Argument and Coherence: Advanced Editing Strategies

Session 9: Writing Through Feedback: Responding to Supervisors and Examiners

Session 10: Finalising the Text: Writing for Examination and Publication Readiness

Session 11: Becoming Your Own Critical Reader: Self-Editing and Peer Review in Academic Writing

Session 12: Consolidating Your Writing Practice: Reflection, Feedback and Next Steps