

Writing for MPhil/PhD – Semester 1 Syllabus

Lesson 1: Academic writing style I

- Structure, signposting, use of evidence and citation formatting

Lesson 2: Academic writing style II

- Flow
- Lexical substitution example from literature review
- Consolidation task from discussion section

Lesson 3: Plagiarism and the Misuse of Sources

- What constitutes deliberate plagiarism
- Paraphrasing tasks focusing on vocabulary and sentence pattern changes

Lesson 4: Sources in Academic Writing

- Why we use citations in academic writing
- Strategies for incorporating sources
- How to include the citation in various ways, and why

Lesson 5: Overview of the Literature Review

- Aims, elements, ordering information, tenses

Lesson 6: Writing an Introduction to the Literature Review

Lesson 7: Literature Review I

- Summarising studies

Lesson 8: Literature Review II

- Adding criticality