

Academic Research Writing - Course Study Sheet

Course: Academic Research Writing Cluster: Humanities, Writing, and Communication

Teaches inquiry, search, source evaluation, synthesis, citation, argument, and research transparency.

Five-module course map

Module	Active evidence to produce
1. research questions	Explain the central idea, complete an application, diagnose one plausible error, and connect it to the next module.
2. search strategies	Explain the central idea, complete an application, diagnose one plausible error, and connect it to the next module.
3. source evaluation	Explain the central idea, complete an application, diagnose one plausible error, and connect it to the next module.
4. synthesis	Explain the central idea, complete an application, diagnose one plausible error, and connect it to the next module.
5. citation and research ethics	Explain the central idea, complete an application, diagnose one plausible error, and connect it to the next module.

Reliable learning method

narrow the question, search iteratively, assess authority and method, map source relationships, draft from claims, and cite accurately

Representative application

Build a synthesis matrix that shows agreement, disagreement, method, evidence, and gaps before writing a literature-based argument.

Weekly study cycle

1. Preview the objective and write two questions. 2. Attend or engage and capture decisions rather than every sentence. 3. Reconstruct the main idea within 24 hours. 4. Complete independent practice. 5. Analyze the first unsupported move on each error. 6. Use feedback. 7. Schedule a delayed mixed recheck.

Self-check before moving on

Can you explain the idea without notes, complete a fresh task, detect a near-miss, verify the result, and state a limitation? Watch especially for: collecting quotations by topic without evaluating sources or synthesizing relationships among them.

What to save

a research paper with search log, source evaluation, synthesis map, citations, and revision trail

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