

Are you a VU Postgraduate student?
Do you want to get feedback on your writing?
Would you like to take part in a peer writing activity?

Join a **Writing Circle** to discuss and get support with your writing from other postgraduate students and an Academic Support and Development facilitator.

[Academic Support and Development](#) in collaboration with the [Graduate Research Centre](#) will continue to facilitate the exciting writing support initiative: **Writing Circles for postgraduate students**.

The aim of the **Writing Circles** is to encourage students to:

- share writing resources and tips
- develop reflection and editing skills
- give and receive feedback on drafts
- build confidence and independence
- meet other research students with similar interests
- maintain ongoing links and support if desired.

Each **Writing Circle** consists of a small number of postgraduate students and one facilitator. The **Writing Circles** are mostly grouped broadly by **discipline** (e.g. students working in areas related to the social sciences or arts, or those relating to sciences) and by **approach** (e.g. students whose research predominantly takes a quantitative approach, or a qualitative approach). Writing circles are generally held fortnightly for around 6-8 sessions of up to 2 hours each. Participants are expected to attend regularly, read each other's writing and contribute to discussion.

To register your interest

Please email one of the Academic Support lecturers/facilitators listed in the table below and provide the following information:

- Family name, given name(s)
- VU student ID
- VU email
- College
- Campus you are based at
- Stage of candidature
- Working title of thesis

Writing circle times and focuses – Semester 2 2015

The following Writing Circles are being offered and will run subject to numbers. Most of these will begin early in semester and most will run each fortnight

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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| | Students from any College whose research is predominantly Science and Engineering focused 11am - 1pm at FP. Fortnightly. Next meeting 11 August in M303. Please contact Nira.Rahman@vu.edu.au | | Students from Sport & Ex Sci 9-11am at FP. Fortnightly. Next meeting August 7 in M317 Please contact Fiona.henderson@vu.edu.au whilst Gina Curro is on leave. | Students from Moondani Balluk 9-11am at StA. Fortnightly. Next meeting August 7 in StA Please contact Fiona.henderson@vu.edu.au whilst Gina Curro is on leave. |
| | Students in StA and WER from any College whose research is predominantly Health and Biomedicine focused. Writing Circles are part of College of Health and Biomedicine 2015 Workshops for Higher Degree Students: STA: 10am - 1pm. Fortnightly. Next meeting 1 September in room 6.623. WER: 10am - 1pm. Fortnightly. Next meeting 8 September in room 2166. Please contact Dana.Chahal@vu.edu.au | | Students whose research has a Business or Law focus 10am-12pm at FP Fortnightly. Starts 4 August in M325. Please contact Olga.Maxwell@vu.edu.au | |
| | Students from any College whose research has a social sciences focus and / or predominantly takes a qualitative approach 1-3 pm at FP Fortnightly. Next meeting August 11 in M317. Please contact Britta.Schneider@vu.edu.au | | Students from the College of Arts who are doing a combination of exegesis and creative/practical work 11:30am-1:30pm at FP. Fortnightly. Next meeting 30 July in M317. Please contact Paola.Bilbrough@vu.edu.au | |
| | Students from the College of Education , whose research is qualitative, quantitative or mixed methods, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offering a Writing Circle Tues- Thurs during the day Students from any College who are doing part-time HDR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offering a Writing Circle Tues/Wed 5.30 to 7.30pm Please contact Gabriella.Pretto@vu.edu.au to specify day/time preference for above options. | | | |