











# Graduate Academic Skills Workshop Series

## Free for international graduate students!

These workshops focus on academic skills identified by learners and professors as necessary for graduate success. They will be delivered by Lisa Crowell, Graduate Preparatory Program Instructor, International Education Centre (IEC) and Megan Pottie, Coordinator, Library Information Services, who both specialize in supporting international students.

Days and times: Thursdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. ADT Winter 2023 semester

Delivery: IEC Classroom (Seton Annex 102) + online delivery via [Moodle Page](#) 

<p>January 19th 3:00-4:00 Lisa Crowell</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #1 From research question to thesis statement</a></b> </p> <p>Get started with your assignments by creating a research question to help guide your search and transform it into the most important sentence of your paper - the thesis statement.</p>
<p>January 26th 3:00-4:00 Meagan Pottie</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #2 Library research skills: Introduction to searching</a></b> </p> <p>Learn how to and practice producing keywords to be used in searches. These keywords will then be used in a database searching demonstration, where Meagan will share tips for effective database searching.</p>
<p>February 2nd 3:00-4:00 Meagan Pottie</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #3 Library research skills: Selecting and evaluating sources</a></b> </p> <p>Discuss the standard evaluation criteria to be considered when critically evaluating information and resources that can be used to help fact-checking efforts. A technique that can help when evaluating information called lateral reading will be introduced, followed by an opportunity to practice.</p>
<p>February 9th 3:00-4:00 Lisa Crowell</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #4 APA citation</a></b> </p> <p>Understand how to use one of the most common citation systems and apply it to give credit to sources used in your assignments and avoid academic dishonesty and plagiarism.</p>
<p>February 16th 3:00-4:00 Lisa Crowell</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #5 Paraphrasing</a></b> </p> <p>Practice a variety of strategies to sufficiently paraphrase source information used in your assignments to demonstrate academic integrity and avoid patchwriting plagiarism.</p>
<p>March 2nd 3:00-4:00 Lisa Crowell</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #6 Active reading strategies</a></b> </p> <p>Utilize various techniques to read academic articles more efficiently with an active focus to save time and increase your understanding of a variety of texts.</p>
<p>March 9th 3:00-4:00 Lisa Crowell</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #7 Seminar participation skills</a></b> </p> <p>Learn how to prepare for and participate in a common graduate style classroom seminar discussion.</p>
<p>March 16th 3:00-4:00 Lisa Crowell</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #8 Different types of writing assignments</a></b> </p> <p>Recognize a variety of writing assignments common at the graduate level and identify key features of organization and content.</p>
<p>March 23rd 3:00-4:00 Lisa Crowell</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #9 Critically analyzing sources</a></b> </p> <p>Identify and evaluate strengths and limitations of research and authors' arguments to make your own judgements and recommendations.</p>
<p>March 30th 3:00-4:00 Lisa Crowell</p>	<p><b><a href="#">Session #10 Synthesizing multiple sources</a></b> </p> <p>Learn one of the most important and challenging graduate level skills, how to synthesize information by finding relationships/connections among various sources.</p>

