

# Where to go for help with your academic development For Postgraduate Students

## Writing in English workshops

Go to [www.library.auckland.ac.nz/workshops](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/workshops)  
Select **English Language Enrichment**

- Creating complex sentence structures
- Using active and passive voice
- Using verb tenses
- Using the article system
- Editing and punctuation



## Reading and writing workshops

Go to [www.library.auckland.ac.nz/workshops](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/workshops)  
Select **Academic reading and writing**

- Paraphrasing and quoting
- Critical reading
- Planning your essay
- Writing your essay
- Referencing: The basics



## 'Let's talk' groups

Go to [www.library.auckland.ac.nz/ele](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/ele)

Select **Language learning groups**

- Let's talk! (Wednesdays 11-12 and Fridays 3-4).
- Let's talk to local students! (Mondays and Tuesdays 11-12 and Thursdays 2-3 during Semester 1 and 2).
- Let's talk to Aucklanders! (Alternate Fridays 10-12).

## Speaking

- Join a University Club  
Go to [www.auckland.ac.nz](http://www.auckland.ac.nz)  
Select **On Campus** and then **Clubs and Societies**
- Toastmasters New Zealand  
Go to [www.toastmasters.org.nz](http://www.toastmasters.org.nz)
- Meet up!  
Go to [www.meetup.com/cities/nz/auckland/](http://www.meetup.com/cities/nz/auckland/)

## Te Wheke Postgraduate Programme: Māori and Pacific students

Programme facilitated by Te Fale Pouāwhina

Contact Abigail McClutchie  
[a.mcclutchie@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:a.mcclutchie@auckland.ac.nz)

Development opportunities, services and events.

## DELNA

To book your DELNA Screening, go to  
[www.delnatask.com/booking](http://www.delnatask.com/booking)

## ELE Online language resources

Go to [www.library.auckland.ac.nz/ele](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/ele)  
Select **ELE online**



## Online resources

Go to [www.library.auckland.ac.nz/study-skills](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/study-skills)

Select **Postgraduate and doctoral skills**

- Mapping your masters research
- Guide to masters research at the University of Auckland



## Language advice

Go to: [www.library.auckland.ac.nz/ele](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/ele)

Select **Language advice**

Bring your language questions to a 'drop-in' advisory session.

Check the website for session times.

## Inclusive Learning

Go to: [www.library.auckland.ac.nz/student-learning](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/student-learning)  
Search for **Inclusive learning**

For students with specific learning and/or other invisible disabilities such as dyslexia, dyspraxia, Autism Spectrum Disorder and attention deficit disorders. Screenings, assessments, special exam conditions and academic development.

## Student Counselling

Go to: [www.auckland.ac.nz](http://www.auckland.ac.nz)

Search for **Student Health and Counselling**

Counsellors can provide help when you're faced with academic stress.

## Listening

- With permission, record your supervisory meetings and lectures.
- Ted Talks Go to [www.ted.com](http://www.ted.com)
- BBC Learning English (e.g., for Pronunciation, 6 minute English)  
Go to [www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish](http://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish)
- TV and radio  
Go to [www.library.auckland.ac.nz/tv-radio/](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/tv-radio/)

## Reading

- Borrow 'readers' from [ELE](#) to develop your vocabulary and fluency.
- Auckland City Libraries  
Go to [www.aucklandcitylibraries.com](http://www.aucklandcitylibraries.com)  
  
Free to join, but you will need photo ID and proof of address.

## Vocabulary

- Free iPhone app NAWL (New Academic Word List) Builder  
Go to <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/nawl-builder/id902964659?mt=8>
- AWL—Academic Word List at Victoria University, New Zealand  
Go to [www.victoria.ac.nz/lals/resources/academicwordlist](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/lals/resources/academicwordlist)
- English Vocabulary Exercises  
Go to [www.englishvocabularyexercises.com](http://www.englishvocabularyexercises.com)  
Select [Academic Vocabulary Exercises](#)
- Vocabulary flashcards  
Go to [www.quizlet.com](http://www.quizlet.com)
- Tools for learning vocabulary  
Go to [www.just-the-word.com](http://www.just-the-word.com)
- Manchester Academic Phrasebank  
Go to [www.phrasebank.manchester.ac.uk](http://www.phrasebank.manchester.ac.uk)
- The British National Corpus at Brigham Young University  
Go to <http://corpus.byu.edu/bnc/>
- Collocations and phrases  
Go to [www.victoria.ac.nz/ilc/resources/practise-online/english-as-a-second-language/vocabulary](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/ilc/resources/practise-online/english-as-a-second-language/vocabulary)

## PGSA Writing Retreats

Go to [www.pgsa.org.nz](http://www.pgsa.org.nz)

- Last Thursday of each month from 5-7 pm.  
Snacks and coffee provided.

## Academic English

- Using English for Academic Purposes  
Go to [www.uefap.com/index.htm](http://www.uefap.com/index.htm)
- Advice on academic writing from Toronto University  
Go to <http://advice.writing.utoronto.ca/>
- General writing  
Go to [https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/purdue\\_owl.html](https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/purdue_owl.html)
- English for Uni  
Go to [www.adelaide.edu.au/english-for-uni](http://www.adelaide.edu.au/english-for-uni)
- Writing tips  
Go to <https://writingcenter.unlv.edu/resources/writingtips>
- Samples of student writing  
Go to [awa.auckland.ac.nz](http://awa.auckland.ac.nz)  
Go to [auckland.ac.nz/writeatuni](http://auckland.ac.nz/writeatuni) (Section 4:8)

## Excellent texts on academic writing

Go to [www.library.auckland.ac.nz](http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz)

Glasman-Deal, H. (2010). *Science research writing for non-native speakers of English*. UK: Imperial College. [E-book](#).

Oshima, A. & Hogue, A. (2006). *Writing academic English*. 4<sup>th</sup> ed. White Plains, NY: Pearson Longman.

Silyn-Roberts, H. (2013). *Writing for science and engineering: Papers, presentations and reports*. UK: Elsevier. [E-book](#).

Wallace, M. and Wray, A. (2011). *Critical reading and writing for postgraduates*. (2<sup>nd</sup> ed). UK: SAGE.

## Writing in the disciplines

- How to read a scientific paper  
Go to [www.lib.purdue.edu/help/tutorials/scientific-paper](http://www.lib.purdue.edu/help/tutorials/scientific-paper)
- How to write Lab reports (Engineering)  
Go to <http://iwrite.unsw.edu.au/iwrite/ENGINEERING/Getting-Started/For-Students.html>
- Report writing in science and engineering  
Go to <http://learningcentre.usyd.edu.au/wrise/>
- SciWrit: Writing in the Sciences  
Go to <https://www.coursera.org/learn/sciwrite>