

Writing and Research Resources for Graduate Students



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Thesis and Dissertation Services

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- Review manuscripts for uniformity, consistency, and legibility
- Provide support from pre-submittal through publication stages of the thesis/dissertation
- **CONTENT** is the domain of the advisory chair and committee

Resources for Formatting the Thesis/Dissertation

- On OGAPS website
- Detailed instructions for the formatting of manuscripts
- Includes examples

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THESIS & DISSERTATION MANUAL

Instructions Concerning the Preparation of Electronic
Theses, Dissertations, and Records of Study (ETDs)

Office of Graduate and
Professional Studies
Thesis & Dissertation Services

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- On OGAPS website
- Basic and Recommended Word Templates
 - Basic for PC but usually functional for Mac
 - Recommended: two versions for both PC and Mac
 - Each has downloadable instructions
- LaTeX template still in development.

Pre-Submittal Conferences

- Usually held once a week except for April, November, and end of June/beginning of July
- Helps students before submitting
 - Review formatting
 - Students can ask questions about their manuscript
- Online Pre-Submittal Conference Option
- Strongly Recommended

Questions?

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Writing Center

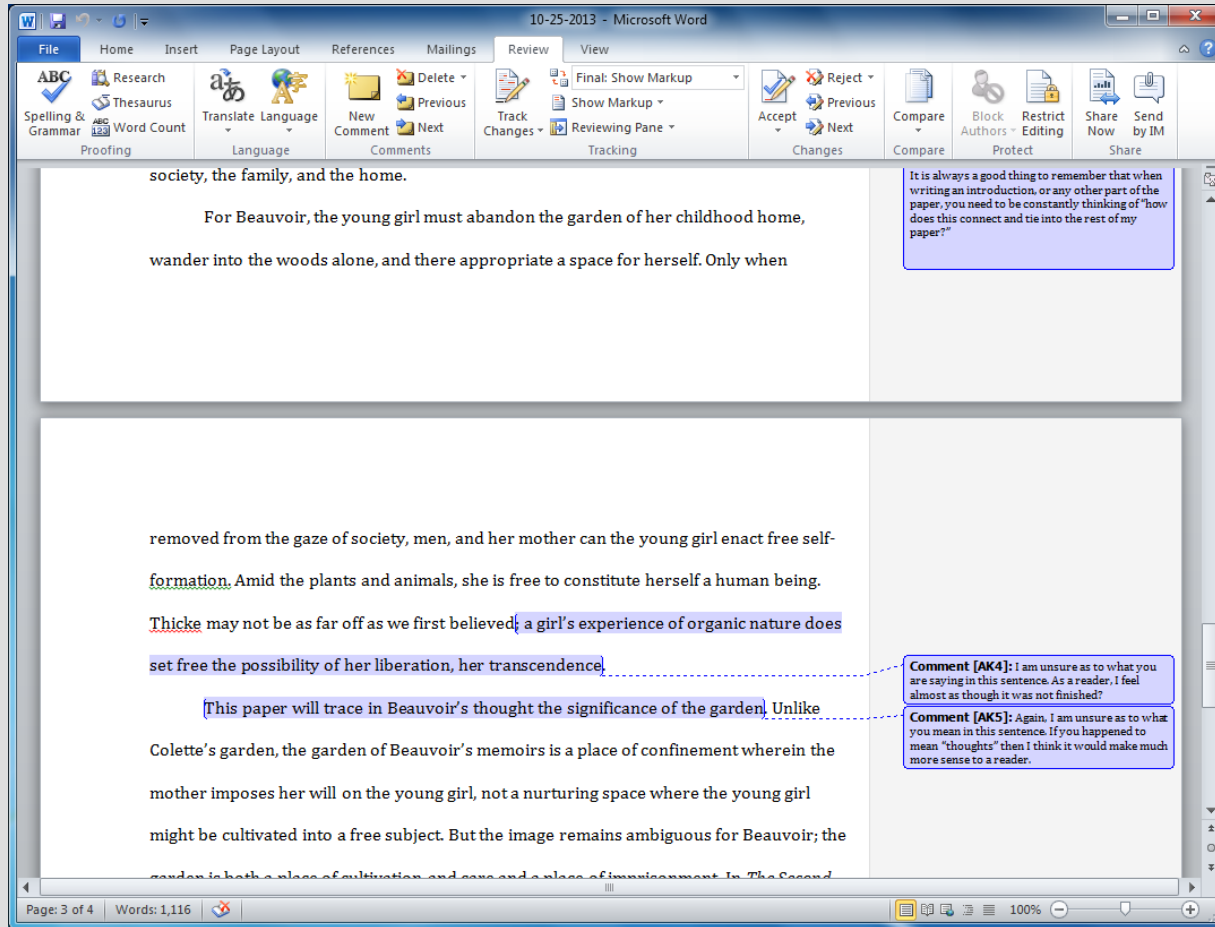
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- Email Consultations
- Web Consultations

Locations



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Room 214



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Room 205

Graduate Student Workshops



- Once-a-week (Monday nights at 7 PM) workshops designed to improve your academic writing and public speaking skills.
- Various topics that focus on the needs of graduate students.
- Check out our website for the workshop schedule and to sign up online!

Dissertation and Thesis Assistance (DATA)



- Receive one-on-one help with the same consultant for up to 5 sessions.
- Start this program at any time during the semester (we suggest starting at least 30 days before your thesis/dissertation is due).

Proposal Writing Retreats



- Two days, 9 am to 5 pm, offered once or twice yearly.
- Write, eat, and get writing and research advice from UWC consultants and library staff.
- For more information: uwc@tamu.edu

Dissertation/Thesis Writing Retreats



- Four days, 9 am to 5 pm, during the interims in August, May, and January
- Write, eat, and get advice every day from our most experienced consultants.
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University Libraries

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Subject Expertise

- Librarian for every degree program
- Many have advanced subject area degrees
- Can find data, not just publications
- Meet with a librarian at the beginning of independent research
- Available for orientations

- Managing research profiles – ResearchGate, Academia.edu, Google Scholar
- Understanding available researcher ID tools, like ORCID
- Creating an impact statement

Publication Consultations

- Finding the impact factors of journals
- Maximizing citations
- Understanding altmetrics (views, downloads, social media impact, etc.)

Copyright and Open Access

- Answering copyright questions (we typically see questions about the use of previously published materials in dissertations/theses)
- Finding author's rights statements
- How to find or publish Open Access materials

Workshops and Events

- GRAD Aggies workshop series – workshops every week on many topics
- Co-sponsor a research retreat with the University Writing Center
- Scholarly identity mini-retreat

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