

Online Academic Writing Resources

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- **Video tutorials**
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Video tutorials

Demarcation's Channel: specific writing skills explained with examples and exercises

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCE15C7599ED6147B>

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Purdue OWL: specific writing skills explained with examples and simple exercises

<https://www.youtube.com/user/OWLPurdue>

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Websites on academic writing topics

Harvard's own writing centre website supports essay and term paper writing

<http://writingcenter.fas.harvard.edu/pages/strategies-essay-writing>

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Harvard's *A Brief Guide to the Elements of the Academic Essay*

http://writingproject.fas.harvard.edu/files/hwp/files/hwp_brief_guides_elements.pdf?m=1370441335

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Purdue OWL: Purdue's own website to support essay and term paper writing

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/>

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Referencing, citation management, avoiding plagiarism

Google Scholar search engine

<https://scholar.google.de>

- Add *filetype:pdf* to your search query and Google Scholar will select only PDF files. For more time-saving tips, see: <https://scholar.google.com/intl/en/scholar/help.html>

The Freiburg University Library supports the Zotero and Citavi citation management apps:

Zotero: This software “is a powerful, easy-to-use research tool that helps you gather, organize, and analyze sources and then share the results of your research.”

Click on the link below to go to the free download:

<https://www.zotero.org/>

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Zotero: introductory video tutorial (in English)

Published by the University of Chicago Library

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rNtF2Ufu-dc>

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Citavi: This software “helps you manage your sources and search for new ones – in your university’s library catalog, too.”

<https://www.citavi.com/en/students.html>

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Citavi: introductory video tutorial (in English)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ob1GqK8ASU8&list=PLkLfx87WkrTZTfifTvtqgKwzyQSTDYY5>

Citavi: introductory video tutorial (in German)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ppO8B6Dqrs>

'How to Avoid Plagiarism': text from the *Harvard Guide to Using Sources*
Published by the Harvard College Writing Program

<http://isites.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k70847&pageid=icb.page342057>

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Academic Integrity (online course from the University of Auckland)
<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/academic-integrity>

MOOCs in English

Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are absolutely free to join. They can be 'saved for later' to facilitate access to course content as and when it suits you.

English for Study (from Reading University)
<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/english-for-study>

English for Literary Interpretation (from the University of Sheffield)
<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/country-house-literature>

Study Skills for International Students (from the University of East Anglia)
<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/study-skills-for-international-students>

Future Learn is an ad-free, free-to-use online learning platform launched and administered by the Open University, UK. Used by over 3 million people, it is paid for by contributing universities across the globe which use it to offer their courses.

Here is a sample of contributing universities:

