

Academic Writing and Communications Appointments

What should I expect in an academic writing or communications appointment?

An experienced Teaching Fellow (an HGSE doctoral student) works with you one-on-one to:

Writing Center	Communications Lab
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• brainstorm and outline an assignment• define a research question• develop a thesis statement or argument• organize the content of your paper• review and revise drafts• recommend citation and referencing resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• practice and receive feedback on an academic presentation, class/client presentation, entrepreneur pitch or doctoral defense• create an “elevator-pitch”• organize a conference poster• develop & storyboard a .pptx presentation• assist with your capstone and doctoral defenses

Who could benefit from writing and communications appointments?

Writing and Communications appointments could be helpful for students who have baseline writing and communication skills but are unfamiliar with certain types of writing genres or presentation deliverables required by their course instructor. Appointments could also help students who need guidance designing, constructing and/or delivering a class presentation or a conference poster. Our services are geared toward graduate students at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Academic writing and communications at HGSE

For more information about Academic Writing and Communications appointments and other services offered by Gutman Library, review our [FAQs](#), visit our website at gse.harvard.edu/library, or email Ning Zou, Associate Director for Student Academic Services and Learning Design at ning_zou@gse.harvard.edu.

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