

RESOURCES IN THE LIBRARY

Books on writing and study skills

These books can be found in the STUDY SKILLS SECTION of James Joyce Library (just opposite the Writing Centre). We recommend the following **books on writing/critical thinking skills**:

- Cottrell, Stella. *Critical Thinking Skills: Developing Effective Analysis and Argument* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2005) – short loan only
- Godfrey, Jeanne. *How to Use Reading in Your Essays* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2001)
- Kirton, B. and K. McMillan. *Just Write: An easy guide to writing at University* (London: Routledge, 2007)
- Peck, J. and M. Colye. *The Student's Guide to Writing: Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2005)
- Peck, J. and M. Coyle. *Write it Right: a handbook for students* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2005)
- Rosenwasser, D. and J. Stephen. *Writing Analytically*. 5th ed. (Boston: Wadsworth, 2009)
- Van Emden, J. and L. Becker. *Effective Communication for Arts and Humanities Students* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2003)

Useful **general study guides** with detailed sections on writing skills:

- Bates, C. and A. Matthewman. *Studying Arts and Humanities* (London: Palgrave, 2009)
- Cottrell, Stella. *The Study Skills Handbook*. 3rd ed. (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008)
- McMillan, K. and J. Weyers. *The Smarter Study Skills Companion* (Essex: Pearson, 2009)
- Moore, S., C. Neville, M. Murphy and C. Connolly. *The Ultimate Study Skills Handbook* (Berkshire: Open University Press, 2010)
- Northedge, Andrew, *The Good Study Guide* (Berkshire: Open University Press, 2003)
- Price, G. and P. Maier, *Effective Study Skills: Unlock your Potential* (Essex: Pearson, 2007)

We highly recommend these **books on style** and techniques of academic writing:

- Hayot, Eric. *The Elements of Academic Style: Writing for the Humanities*. (Columbia UP, 2014)
- Williams, J.M. and J. Bizup. *Style: Lessons in Clarity and Grace*. 11th edition. (Longman, 2013)

Other books in Study Skills section include those on writing dissertations, proposals and essays, as well as more specific texts (writing for science, engineering, economics, legal writing etc.).

Library Online

Take some time to familiarise yourself with all the information and useful guides that the Library offers – it will be worth it as there are many resources on their website created specifically to help you through all the stages of your studies.

- **e-Supports**: these are useful tutorials and electronic guides on research, finding and evaluating information, plagiarism, referencing and much more:
<http://libguides.ucd.ie/c.php?g=224822&p=1693590>
- helpful information and tutorials on **referencing and citation**:
<http://libguides.ucd.ie/academicintegrity/referencingandcitation>

Your School might recommend a **particular referencing style**. It is best to check here which style your School uses:

http://www.ucd.ie/library/supporting_you/support_learning/citing_styles/

Why not click on this link and take a tutorial on **How to avoid plagiarism?**

<http://www.ucd.ie/library/elearning/plagiarism/story.html>