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Library Resources

Books on writing and study skills

These books can be found in the *Study Skills Section* of the 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).

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We highly recommend these books on **style/ techniques** in academic writing:

- ✓ Hayot, Eric. The Elements of Academic Style: Writing for the Humanities (Columbia UP, 2014).
- ✓ Pinker, Steven. The Sense of Style: The Thinking Person's Guide to Writing in the 21st Century (Penguin, 2014).
- ✓ Williams, J.M. and J. Bizup. Style: Lessons in Clarity and Grace. 11th edition. (Longman, 2013).

Library Online

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

- ✓ e-Supports: 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
- ✓ Information and tutorials on referencing and citation: http://libguides.ucd.ie/academicintegrity/referencingandcitation
- ✓ Your School may recommend a particular referencing style. You can check here which style your School uses:
 - https://libguides.ucd.ie/academicintegrity/citingstyles
- ✓ If you are not sure what 'academic integrity' means or how to cite and
- ✓ reference, check out these short videos: https://libguides.ucd.ie/academicintegrity/tutorials