

**GRSC6040/6041 Advanced Thesis Writing (Humanities/Sciences)****Aim:**

The course aims to enhance students' competence in advanced writing and revising strategies which assist thesis-writing graduate students in the Humanities/Sciences.

**Content:**

1. Essence of thesis revision
2. The Writing-revising process
3. Revision strategies
4. Formal writing voice

**Organisation:**

An intensive 12-hour course.

A combination of lecture, PowerPoint presentation, group discussion, and in-class activities.

**Class size:**

30

**Prerequisites:**

Experience in successfully completing a research thesis of at least 10,000 words in English.

**Enrolment:**

Students can take this course or 'GRSC6020/GRSC6021 Introduction to Thesis Writing' to fulfil the thesis writing course requirement of the Graduate School. Students will be asked to provide documentary evidence of having fulfilled the above prerequisite.

**Assessment:**

To meet the assessment requirements, students will edit or expand their own writing (e.g., their research proposal or a piece of previous writing) and come up with a more advanced version, using the techniques covered in the course. [Word limit: 2000 words]

**Learning Outcomes:**

By the end of this course, students should be able to:

1. Apply "precision of expression" strategies to the writing and revising of their own written work;
2. Apply an "economy of language" approach to the writing and revising of their own written work;
3. Demonstrate conciseness, smoothness, and consistency of writing through an application of revision strategies;
4. Demonstrate stylistic clarity and detail-oriented skills with regards to academic thesis writing.