Effective Academic Writing

Early Career Researcher Skills Development Workshop 2021

Kerala Council for Historical Research, Thiruvanthapuram

6-9 December 2021

Submission Deadline: April 30, 2021

1. Name:
2. Institutional Affiliation/independent scholar:
3. Location (institutional/personal):
4. Qualifications:
5. Do you hold a PhD degree? Yes/No
* If yes, institution and date of completion:
1. Are you currently enrolled for a Phd? Yes/No (please move to Q.8 if have answered no to Questions 5 and 6)
* If yes, institution and date of completion:
* Which year of doctoral research are you currently in?
1. If you are an independent scholar with a PhD, please give details of any research projects you have engaged with since completing your PhD:

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1. If you are an academic at an Indian university, but do not have a PhD, please indicate very briefly any research projects you have engaged with in the last 5 years:

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1. List of publications: Yes/No

If yes, please attach a separate list. There is no expectation that those applying for these workshops have prior publications, but if you do please list them.

1. Please indicate which **one** of the following writing samples you will submit by the submission date:
* A completed chapter of your doctoral thesis which you would like to develop into a research article or chapter of an edited book (max. 8000 words).
* Draft of an article or chapter of an edited book you are currently working on for publication (max. 8000 words).
* A research proposal you are developing to apply for research funding (max. 2000 words)
* A book proposal based on a completed research project (either PhD or other; max. 2000 words)

**In all cases your writing sample should be accompanied by a 250-word abstract explaining the key research questions addressed and line of argument taken.**

1. Please submit a Research Statement along with the application of no more than 500 words. This should indicate the following:
* Discipline/field(s)
* Topic(s) of research conducted so far
* Your overall research objectives, and how theserelate to existing research in this area
* Your methodology, including the primary research data you are gathering as part of your research
* A brief description of the writing sample you intend to submit
* The anticipated contribution to knowledge that your planned writing sample makes
* What you expect to gain from this workshop

Applications that meet the criteria for admission onto the workshop will be assessed on the basis of the research statement in terms of:

* Knowledge and understanding of existing research related to overall research objectives
* Coherence of research plan including proposed research methods
* Potential contribution to knowledge of specified writing sample
* *We strongly encourage researchers who have not had extensive training in academic writing to apply.*

**If selected,you will need to submit your writing sample as specified at question 10 on or before September 24, 2021.**

This deadline is non-negotiable. Applicants must commit to submitting writing samples at the time of application. You will not be able to attend the workshop if you are unable to submit your writing sample including an abstract. This is to enable workshop facilitators time to read your submission in advance and give feedback in one-to-one consultation sessions at the workshop. If you cannot submit your writing sample on time, your place will be given to the research scholar next on the waiting list.

***This workshop is funded by the British Academy (UK)***

***in collaboration with KCHR and the University of Edinburgh. There are no registration fees to attend the workshop.***

***Details of mode of delivery of workshop (i.e. in-person or virtual) will be confirmed closer to the workshop date.***

***Lunch and light refreshments will be provided free of charge on all days. Limited funding for accommodation and travel is available for participants travelling from outside Thiruvanthapuram.***