

## Student Learning Development (SLD) MVLS and Science and Engineering Summer 2023-24 Class Timetable

These classes are specifically designed for students writing a dissertation in the College of Medical, Veterinary & Life Sciences or the College of Science & Engineering at the University of Glasgow.

All Postgraduate Taught students are encouraged to attend or engage with our **Science Dissertation Writing** classes and workshops.

For International students, we also offer **International PGT Dissertation** classes focusing on researching and writing a dissertation in a UK university context. However all students are welcome to attend all classes, regardless of whether they are International students or not.

Class slides and other useful resources are available via the relevant course Moodle site (linked at the bottom of the timetable) and, where possible, class recordings will also be made available via Moodle shortly after each class.

*\*Please remember to double-check the timetable before attending classes as buildings and rooms may be subject to change.*

Week beginning	Date	Time	Series	Class	Description	Venue
27 May	Thu 30 May	11:00-12:00	Science Dissertation Writing Class	Your Dissertation From Beginning to End	This class examines what the whole dissertation process looks like, from choosing a title to handing in your finished product.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
3 Jun	Mon 3 Jun	11:00-12:00	Maths for Stats Workshop	Understanding Formulae	These workshops are designed as a reminder of the essential maths skills needed for statistics, and are aimed at students who have encountered little or no maths in their degree so far. This session will cover common mathematical notation, rearranging equations and the types of mathematical relationship you will need to be familiar with (e.g. linear, exponential).	Rankine Building LT 107
		12:00-13:00	Introduction to Statistics for Dissertation Students	Introduction to R	This course is designed to give students a starting point for statistical concepts, graphing techniques, and analysis they may find useful in their studies. This session starts by introducing R and R Studio and continues on to more complex functions and various plotting capabilities.	Rankine Building LT 107
	Thu 6 Jun	11:00-12:00	Science Dissertation Writing Class	Writing a Literature Review	This class will explore the process of finding and critically analysing journal articles, as well as how to incorporate academic literature into your writing.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
10 Jun	Mon 10 Jun	11:00-12:00	Maths for Stats Workshop	What is Probability?	These sessions are designed as a reminder of the essential maths skills needed for statistics, and are aimed at students who have encountered little or no maths in their degree so far. This session will cover the basics of probability, introducing how we think about it mathematically and how this relates to real life.	Rankine Building LT 107
		12:00-13:00	Introduction to Statistics for Dissertation Students	Descriptive Statistics and Probability Distributions	This session covers measures of central tendencies, dispersion, and position. The session also covers the basic rules of probability and some common discrete probability distributions.	Rankine Building LT 107
	Tue 11 Jun	11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Reading for your Dissertation	This class explores strategies for selecting and completing reading for your dissertation.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Wed 12 Jun	11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Being Critical of Literature	This class discusses how to write about academic literature in a critical and analytical way in your literature review.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Thu 13 Jun	10:00-11:00	Peer Workshops	Criticality	In these sessions you will be able to discuss with your peers what is criticality, what does it mean to approach readings critically, and practice doing so with the help of a facilitator.	McMillan Reading Room 305
		11:00-12:00	Science Dissertation Writing Classes	Developing a Methodology	We outline things to consider when designing your research methods and discuss how to write your methods chapter.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
	Fri 14 Jun	10:30-11:30	Peer Workshops	Criticality	In these sessions you will be able to discuss with your peers what is criticality, what does it mean to approach readings critically, and practice doing so with the help of a facilitator.	McMillan Reading Room 305

17 Jun	Tue 18 Jun	11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Q&A Session	This session is for students to ask questions about dissertations. Do you want to know more about structuring an argument? Tracking your research literature? Editing? Come along and ask us!	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Wed 19 Jun	11:00-12:00	Introduction to Statistics for Dissertation Students	Continuous Probability Distributions and Hypothesis Testing	This session covers some common continuous probability distributions. This session also covers the basics of hypothesis testing (defining the null and alternative hypotheses) and deciding which probability distribution suits different situations.	St Andrew's Building 227
		11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Writing about Methodology	This class discusses how to plan and write the method/methodology section in your dissertation.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Thu 20 Jun	10:00-11:00	Peer Workshops	Methodology	These sessions offer you a space to reflect with others on what makes a good/bad methodology, techniques on how to choose the right one for your project, and how to write about it in your dissertation.	McMillan Reading Room 305
		11:00-12:00	Science Dissertation Writing Classes	Presenting your Findings	This class looks at the most effective way of discussing your data and writing about your results in the context of your field.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
	Fri 21 Jun	10:30-11:30	Peer Workshops	Methodology	These sessions offer you a space to reflect with others on what makes a good/bad methodology, techniques on how to choose the right one for your project, and how to write about it in your dissertation.	McMillan Reading Room 305
24 Jun	Tue 25 Jun	11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Writing about Data and Findings	This class discusses writing about data and findings in your dissertation and some elements of presenting data in graphs and figures.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Wed 26 Jun	11:00-12:00	Introduction to Statistics for Dissertation Students	Simple and Multiple Linear Regression	This session covers various R functions to generate simple linear (one explanatory variable) and multiple linear (more than one explanatory variable) models.	St Andrew's Building 227
		11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Writing a Discussion Chapter	This class explores the aims and writing of the discussion section/analytical sections in your dissertation.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Thu 27 Jun	09:00-10:00	Peer Workshops	Chapter Structure	A dissertation can have different kinds of chapters. Discuss and engage in facilitated activities with your peers to learn more about the demands of each of these kinds and how to approach writing them.	McMillan Reading Room 305
		11:00-12:00	Science Dissertation Writing Classes	Editing and Proofreading	The class looks at the stages of editing and proofreading that you need to complete in order to achieve a polished and professional dissertation.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
	Fri 28 Jun	10:30-11:30	Peer Workshops	Chapter Structure	A dissertation can have different kinds of chapters. Discuss and engage in facilitated activities with your peers to learn more about the demands of each of these kinds and how to approach writing them.	McMillan Reading Room 305
1 Jul	Mon 1 Jul	10:00-11:00	Science Dissertation Writing Class	Your Dissertation From Beginning to End	This class examines what the whole dissertation process looks like, from choosing a title to handing in your finished product.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
	Tue 2 Jul	10:00-11:00	Science Dissertation Writing Class	Writing a Literature Review	This class will explore the process of finding and critically analysing journal articles, as well as how to incorporate academic literature into your writing.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
		11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Writing an Introduction Chapter	This class discusses dissertation introductions, including the aims, what to include, and what academic markers will expect.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Wed 3 Jul	10:00-11:00	Science Dissertation Writing Class	Developing a Methodology	We outline things to consider when designing your research methods and discuss how to write your methods chapter.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
		11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Writing a Conclusion Chapter	This class explores dissertation conclusions, including the aims, what to include, and what academic markers will expect.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Thu 4 Jul	10:00-11:00	Science Dissertation Writing Class	Presenting your Findings	This class looks at the most effective way of discussing your data and writing about your results in the context of your field.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
		10:00-11:00	Peer Workshops	Introductions and Conclusions	In these session you will think collaboratively about the work that introductions and conclusions are supposed to do in the dissertation, and consider strategies to write them.	McMillan Reading Room 305
	Fri 5 Jul	10:00-11:00	Science Dissertation Writing Class	Editing and Proofreading	The class looks at the stages of editing and proofreading that you need to complete in order to achieve a polished and professional dissertation.	<a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87466656130</a>
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8 Jul	Tue 9 Jul	11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Writing a Dissertation Abstract	This class discusses dissertaiton abstracts, including the aims, what to include, and what academic markers will expect.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Wed 10 Jul	11:00-12:00	Dissertation Writing for International Students	Critical Reading Strategies	This class explores strategies to critically and analytically select and work with readings for your dissertation.	Boyd Orr LT 507
	Thu 11 Jul	09:30-12:00	Dissertation Writing Incubators	Writing Incubator (come and do your work in a supportive group environment)	Writing incubators provide a space for students and members of the SLD's Peer Learning Team to come together and work. We will divide our time between work (you choose what work you do, e.g. writing a section in your dissertation) and also take a break and provide space for you to ask questions about dissertations to the SLD's Peer Learning Team.	McMillan Reading Room 305
15 Jul	Wed 17 Jul	10:00-12:30	Dissertation Writing Incubators	Writing Incubator (come and do your work in a supportive group environment)	Writing incubators provide a space for students and members of the SLD's Peer Learning Team to come together and work. We will divide our time between work (you choose what work you do, e.g. writing a section in your dissertation) and also take a break and provide space for you to ask questions about dissertations to the SLD's Peer Learning Team.	McMillan Reading Room 305
	Thu 18 Jul	15:00-17:30				
22 Jul	Wed 24 Jul	10:00-12:30	Dissertation Writing Incubators	Writing Incubator (come and do your work in a supportive group environment)	Writing incubators provide a space for students and members of the SLD's Peer Learning Team to come together and work. We will divide our time between work (you choose what work you do, e.g. writing a section in your dissertation) and also take a break and provide space for you to ask questions about dissertations to the SLD's Peer Learning Team.	McMillan Reading Room 305
	Thu 25 Jul	15:00-17:30				McMillan Reading Room 305

## Moodle pages for the live, scheduled classes (listed above):

International Students - <b>Dissertation Writing</b> Moodle:	<a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=15181">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=15181</a>
<b>Maths and Stats</b> Moodle:	<a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=140">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=140</a>
<b>Science Dissertation Writing</b> Moodle:	<a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=12843">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=12843</a>

## Moodle pages for our online, anytime classes (available as recordings):

<b>Academic Development</b> Moodle:	<a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10317">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10317</a>
Science Writing - <b>Fundamentals</b> Moodle:	<a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10316">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10316</a>