**Page title: Student resources**

This page features handy resources for PhD students on publishing journal papers, from online sources, to books, ebooks, blogs and YouTube tutorials.

**How to get your first journal paper published**

**Getting started**

**Springer’s Author Academy** is an excellent and highly comprehensive online resource that takes you through the writing process from start to finish using video, quizzes and short courses. It is a great place to start, building your knowledge step by step:

<http://www.springer.com/gp/authors-editors/author-academy>

Another great resource is the **RMIT Study and Learning Centre’s** online teaching materials. These provide a self-guided tutorial on writing a literature review that is user friendly, easy to follow and full of useful information.

<https://www.dlsweb.rmit.edu.au/lsu/content/2_assessmenttasks/assess_tuts/lit_review_LL/writing.html>

**International Journal of Wildland Fire**

This site is especially useful if this journal is on your target list. Be sure to read the information for authors:

<http://www.publish.csiro.au/paper/WF01045>

In addition, **CSIRO Publishing** provides Open Access publishing:

<http://www.publish.csiro.au/nid/247.htm>

**The Writing Centre** at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has an extensive and highly accessible index of handouts on all aspects of the writing process, across all disciplines and for all purposes. It contains useful information on all forms of document writing:

<http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/>

For people with English as a second language, the **Internet TESL Journal** uses quizzes at various skill levels to help build language resources.

<http://a4esl.org>

**Books and ebooks.**

WA academic David Lindsay aims to help you structure your writing logically:

**Scientific Writing = Thinking in Words**

*By David Lindsay, University of Western Australia.*

Published by CSIRO Publishing.

This book provides practical and comprehensive coverage of academic writing skills and communication techniques.

[**Writing for academic success: A postgraduate guide**](http://researchsuper.chelt.anu.edu.au/references#C) (Sage Study Skills Series) 2nd edition. *By Gail Craswell and Megan Poore.*

The **Australian National University** website has an extract from this book on writing a literature review.

<https://academicskills.anu.edu.au/resources/handouts/literature-reviews>

This comprehensive and updated guide on publishing for scientific journals covers ethical issues in scientific publishing, explains rights and permissions and discusses writing grant proposals, giving presentations and writing for general audiences:

**How to Write and Publish a Scientific Paper (8th revised edition)**

*By Robert Day, Barbara Gastel*

Published by Cambridge University Press

A US best-seller that sets out a ‘formula’ for writing across all academic disciplines:

**They Say / I Say": The Moves That Matter in Academic Writing (Third Edition)**

*by* [*Gerald Graff*](http://www.amazon.com/Gerald-Graff/e/B001H6UGC8/ref=dp_byline_cont_book_1) *and* [*Cathy Birkenstein*](http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=dp_byline_sr_book_2?ie=UTF8&field-author=Cathy+Birkenstein&search-alias=books&text=Cathy+Birkenstein&sort=relevancerank)*.*

Published by WW Norton and Company.

Highly readable, this provides a nuts and bolts on how to craft high impact academic writing:

**Write it Up. Practical Strategies for Writing and Publishing Journal Articles**

[*Paul J. Silvia*](http://bookshop.blackwell.co.uk/jsp/a/Paul_J__Silvia)

Published by [American Psychological Association](http://bookshop.blackwell.co.uk/jsp/search_results.jsp?publisher=American+Psychological+Association)

**Quick tips**

This blog was written from the perspective of someone who both reviews and writes articles:

**How to Publish an Article in an Academic Journal: Avoid Rookie Mistakes**

<http://getalifephd.blogspot.com.au/2014/05/how-to-publish-article-in-academic.html>

**Seven reasons why journals reject papers**

<http://patthomson.net/2013/05/20/seven-reasons-why-paper-are-rejected-by-journals/>

**Writing for an academic journal: 10 tips**

<http://www.theguardian.com/higher-education-network/blog/2013/sep/06/academic-journal-writing-top-tips>

This summary is taken from ‘Writing for Academic Journals’:

**7 tips to get your first paper published in a journal**

<http://www.scientifica.uk.com/neurowire/7-tips-to-get-your-first-paper-published-in-a-journal>

**YouTube**

There are many instructive videos available online. Here is just a selection:

**Literature Reviews: An overview for graduate students** by North Carolina State University Libraries

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t2d7y_r65HU>

**How to write a literature review** by Massey University

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jKL2pdRmwc4>

**Writing the literature review** (in three sessions) by University of Maryland University College

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2IUZWZX4OGI>

**Journal directories**

The Australasian Open Access Support Group publishes a list of open access journals in Australia:

<http://aoasg.org.au/australian-oa-journals/>

The University of Melbourne provides an expert list of journal directories and finding tools:

<http://unimelb.libguides.com/content.php?pid=109539&sid=825351>