

Study Notes:
Introduction to Scholarly Writing: Tips for Success

General Resources for Writers

To learn more about reading and writing critically, check the wealth of information offered at the [Critical Thinking Consortium](#), particularly the link, "[The Role of Questions in Thinking, Teaching, & Learning](#)." (Teachers might be particularly impressed with this site's lesson plans and instructional design materials.) For excellent instructional material on essay writing and learning how to go beyond parroting someone else's pabulum and turning it into your own golden prose, explore [Empire State College's essay writing section](#).

There are many quality books on scholarly writing. Visit a large bookstore and leaf through the section on academic writing. Graduate students might want to start with a good college writing text such as ones by Diana Hacker or Toby Fulwiler. An inexpensive classic is Strunk and White's *Elements of Style* (any edition will do). Also take a look at

- Becker, H. (1986). *Writing for social scientists*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Hoover, K., & Donovan, T. (2003). *The elements of social scientific thinking* (8th ed.). New York: St. Martin's.

Walden Resources for Writers

The Walden Writing Center <http://writingcenter.waldenu.edu/>

The Walden Writing Center offers resources to help you with everything from starting to think about writing a course paper all the way through to finishing and publishing a dissertation.

Writing Tutors

If you need help with your writing, send an email message to the tutors at writingsupport@waldenu.edu.

Writing Course

If you are a graduate student and having difficulties with writing, consider taking SBSF 6000: *Graduate Writing*. Learn more about this course and related resources at http://inside.waldenu.edu/c/Student_Faculty/StudentFaculty_1459.htm.