

OXFORD ACADEMIC PAPER WRITING RETREAT

for nurses and AHPs

16th, 18th & 19th October 2021

Agenda

Each participant will

- assess own needs in developing publication skills and seek assistance in developing strength in these areas
- develop a manuscript for submission to a selected journal
- receive feedback and be able to incorporate it into your manuscript

Features of the retreat

- periods of uninterrupted writing time
- THREE mentor sessions: before, during and after the retreat
- focus on targeting journals
- crossover learning - focus on writing skills; focus on editing

Pre-retreat requirements

Successful applicants will be asked to submit an outline/draft of your proposed paper along with the name of your target journal by Fri 3rd Sept.

This should include the following information,

- title of paper
- intended journal for submission
- background
- study design and methods
- results/findings
- discussion/conclusion

Please send all correspondence regarding your paper to your allocated mentor. Mentors will be allocated when we receive the above proposal and virtual invites sent out prior to the retreat.

For any other queries in relation to the running of the retreat, please email writingretreat@psych.ox.ac.uk

Requirements

- computer / laptop
- stable internet connection
- sound (headphones in a shared space)
- microphone
- access to Zoom

A clear mind ready to focus!

Online writing retreat

With uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, the Autumn 2021 retreat will be run entirely online. To enable the smooth running of the retreat and to allow the space and time to focus on your writing, we ask that all participants and mentors join one of the 10-15 minutes drop in sessions the week before the retreat, details to follow nearer the time.

Programme

09:00–10.00	Writing time (Monday and Tuesday 10am start on Saturday)
10:00–10.45	Meet fellow writers Group discussion: share aspirations for retreat, challenges / areas to develop
10.45–13.00	Writing time and mentor sessions 15 mins stretching break @ 11.30 (optional)
13.00–13.30	Peer group discussion: facilitated
13.30–14.00	Lunch
14:00–17.00	Writing time and mentor sessions 15 mins stretching break @ 15.30 (optional)
17.00	Finish for day (provide mentor with writing drafts for overnight review / feedback)

Mentor support

To enable participants to fully benefit from the dedicated writing time during the retreat and get started straight away on day 1, the first mentor meeting will take place two weeks before the retreat, during 27 Sep – 1 Oct 2021. There will be an opportunity to then meet with your mentor once during the retreat and then two weeks after.