

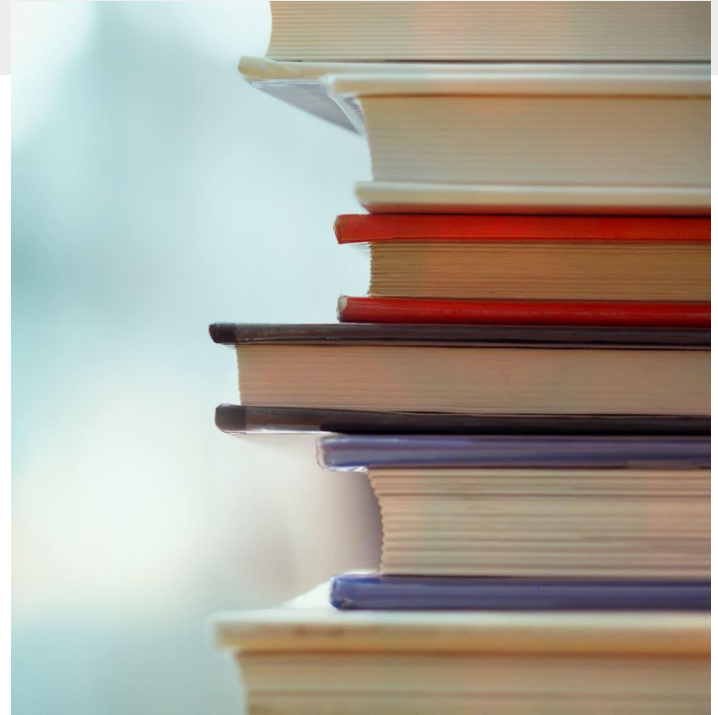
Writing across the Disciplines

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- Writing is an **essential skill** in many academic and professional fields.
- Each discipline has its own **writing conventions and expectations.**
- Strong writing skills can lead to **greater success** in your academic and professional life.



Task 1 - Everyday Writing

- Emails
- Microsoft Teams
- Lists
- Diary entries
- Text messages
- Social media
- Adverts (e.g. eBay)
- Notes

Task 2 - Discussion around Academic writing

- Essays;
- Reports;
- Exam answers (seen & unseen exams);
- Case studies;
- Reflective pieces (including journals);
- Textual analysis exercises; and
- Presentations

Academic Writing (continued)

- Each form of writing task has its own **'rules'**, and **raise different challenges**.
- Each has a **different purpose**.
- But the shared function of *all* kinds of academic writing is to **demonstrate your knowledge, understanding and critical skills** in a way which suits the learning outcomes at stake.

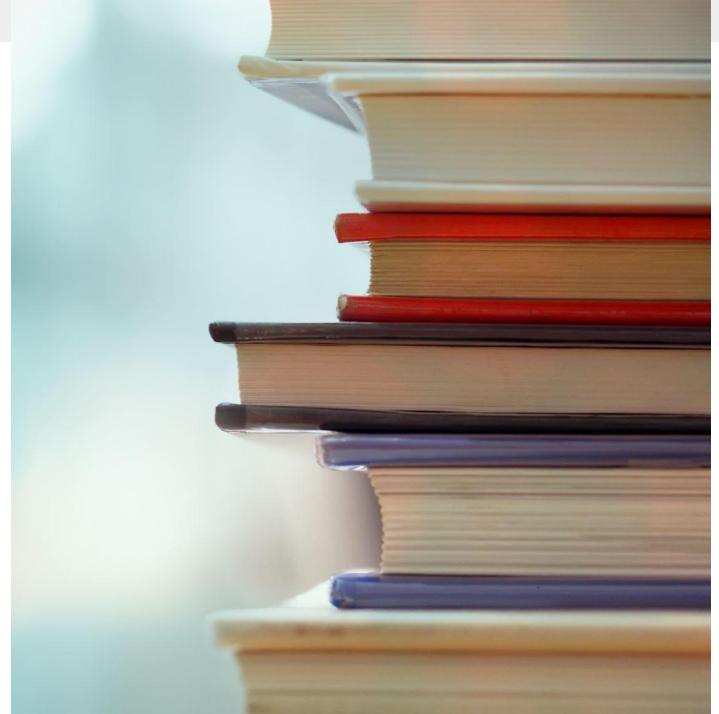
Benefits of Writing Across the Disciplines

- Develops **critical thinking** skills.
- Helps students **better understand course content**.
- Prepares students for **future careers**.
- Develops **communication** skills.



Common Challenges of Writing Across the Disciplines

- Understanding the **requirements** of the assignment.
- Developing an **argument**.
- Using **appropriate sources**.
- **Citing** sources correctly.
- Using **discipline-specific** terminology.
- **Revising** and editing.



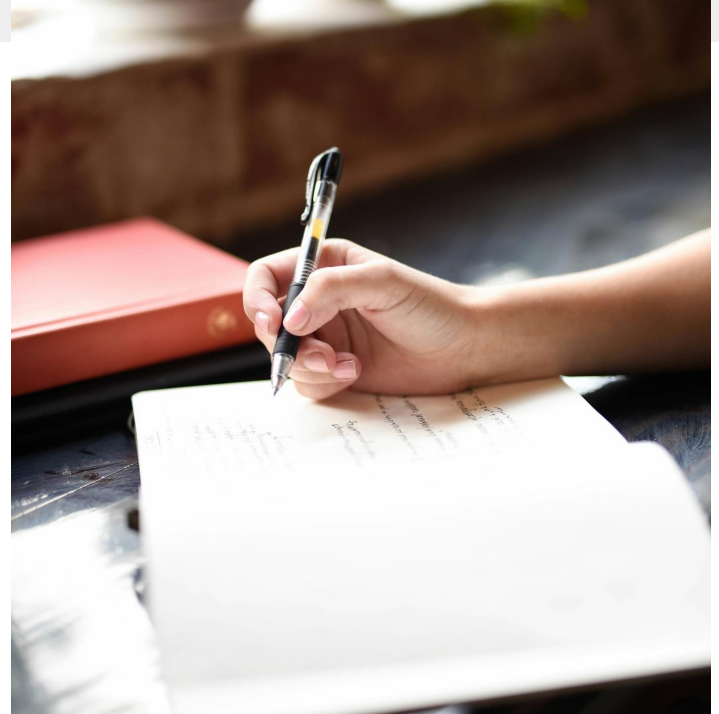
Tips for Successful Writing Across the Disciplines

- Understand the **requirements** of the assignment.
- **Read widely** in your discipline.
- Develop a **clear argument**.
- Use **appropriate sources**.
- **Cite** sources correctly.
- Use **discipline-specific** terminology.
- **Revise** and edit effectively.



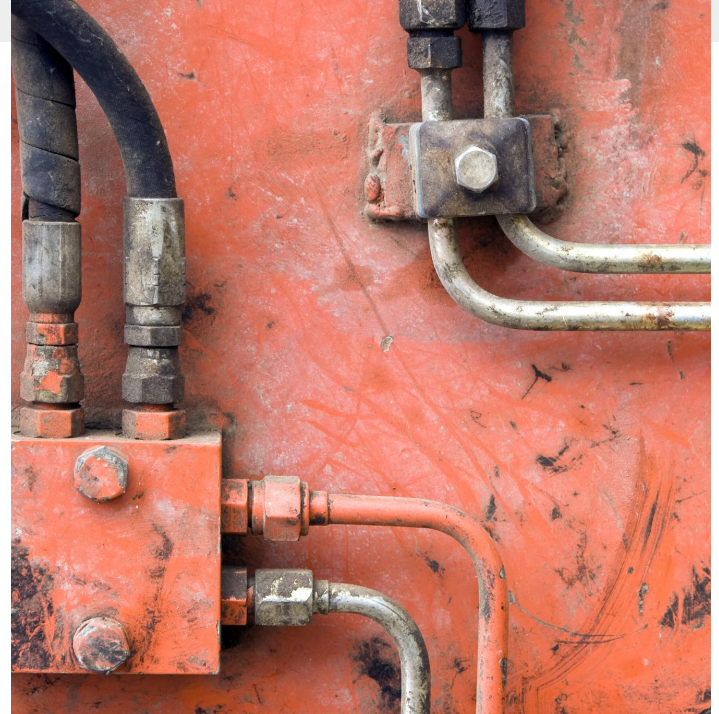
The Importance of Writing in Context

- Writing in context allows for **effective communication** with the intended audience.
- Writing in context helps the reader understand the content by **providing background information**.
- Writing in context shows that the writer has a **good understanding of the subject matter**.



The Importance of Understanding Technical Language

- **Technical language** is important in writing within a discipline.
- A **clear understanding** of technical language can **improve communication** within a field.
- Misunderstanding technical language can lead to **confusion and errors** in written material.



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