

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH
GRADUATE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS
Fall 2015

When	Workshop	Where
September 11 th 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	New Graduate Student Orientation	AHB 2R21
September 11 th 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	TA Training: Leading Tutorials This session is required for all TAs who are leading a tutorial for the first time this year. We will discuss strategies for leading effective class discussions and reinforcing lecture material through tutorials. Guest Speaker: David Huebert	AHB 2R21
September 14 th 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Graduate Funding Open to ALL graduate students. We'll discuss available sources of funding, tips for preparing successful applications, and how to frame the research proposal. Guest Speakers: David Huebert and Lisa Templin	ENGL 9002A Weldon Library
September 18 th 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	TA Training: Marking Essays This session is required for all new TAs and is strongly recommended for continuing TAs. We will review departmental grading criteria and provide tips and strategies for more effective and efficient marking. Guest Speaker: Kevin Shaw	AHB 2R21
October TBA	Academic Job Applications This session offers tips on preparing your job dossiers including the c.v., the cover letter, and teaching philosophy. We will look at examples and answer your questions.	
October TBA	Conference Proposals, Papers, and Presentations Just in time for the Nov. 1st ACCUTE deadline, this workshop will give you advice on how to formulate an effective proposal, how to build that abstract into a strong 20-minute paper, and how to deliver it effectively.	
November TBA	Writing The Dissertation This workshop is specifically geared to PhD 3 students, but all are welcome. Discussion will include research and writing methods, goal-setting, time management, task management, etc.	
Late November / Early December TBA	Preparing for the Oral Qualifying Exam This workshop is for PhD 2 students who are preparing for the oral qualifying exam in January 2015. We will discuss the structure of oral exams as well as strategies for studying and for answering questions orally.	

For workshops marked “TBA,” an email inviting student participation will be sent to gradenglish@uwo.ca at the beginning of the listed month. Students will be asked to email pwakeham@uwo.ca, who will then set up a doodle poll and establish the best time for the majority of attendees.

Please note that we also organize mock interviews and job talks for students who have been short-listed for academic job interviews. To book a mock interview or if you have any questions or comments about the graduate workshops, please contact Dr. Pauline Wakeham at pwakeham@uwo.ca.