

Topic	Three writing groups for PhD students from GSGS.
Participants	Approx. 4-5 participants per group, preferably PhD candidates aiming to publish a paper on their research.
Venue	Online - Zoom
Date & Time	Three writing groups will be set up before end of June 2021 – One to start in Jan/Feb, one to start in March/April and one to start in May/June. Exact dates to be confirmed.
Aim	Through the writing groups, participants will understand more about <ul style="list-style-type: none">• writing to a deadline• progressing on a longer text• giving and receiving peer-review feedback• writing as a supportive group activity. Participants will have progressed on drafting a paper for publication.
Content & Format	The writing groups will meet virtually once a month for approx. 90 minutes per month. Between the sessions, the group members will send a text (max. 1,500 words) to all other members of the group. Each text will be peer-reviewed by at least two other group members, who will provide written feedback. Questions resulting from the feedback can be discussed in the next group session. The facilitator will also provide feedback on the texts. Participant time commitment per month = min 7.5 hours.
Facilitator tasks	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) General admin related to setting up and coordinating three groups sessions for 3 groups – including preliminary questionnaire for participants2) Participation in 3 group sessions per group3) Peer-review feedback on one text (max. 1,500 words) per participant4) Alignment of groups for a continuation of group after 3 sessions5) A summary report on each group after the third session6) A further “visit” to each writing group 8 months after initiation.

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