## THE ACADEMIC PREPARATION PROGRAM 2019

Presented by the Student Learning Centre

| Academic<br>Writing and<br>Referencing                | What is academic writing? Conventions of academic essays, how to approach essay writing, how to generate and sort ideas, writing arguments, essay structures, paragraphs, essays vs reflective writing, paraphrasing, referencing and Endnote  |
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| Reading<br>Academic Texts                             | The difference between academic texts and non-academic texts. How to select reading materials in university, common reading issues, reading strategies, typical structures and types of academic texts, critical reading, how to take notes effectively, what constitutes good academic sources, how to integrate your reading notes with your essays/assignments. |
| Assignments<br>How-To (incl<br>Academic<br>Integrity) | Describes the assignment planning, researching and reading, structuring, drafting, writing, proofreading and editing and submission stages. Covers types of assignments, steps in assignment preparation, researching, Turnitin, common problems in assignment preparations, where to find resources for your assignments. Academic Integrity issues.              |
| Critical<br>Thinking                                  | Critical thinking defined, why think critically, critical reflexivity, independent thinking, unpacking reading texts, context, purpose and audience, text analysis and writing assignments, critical analysis tips, argument analysis, essay question analysis, what is a good argument, the importance of evidence, and argument structure.                       |
| Maths<br>Refresher                                    | Useful for students who require basic maths principles for studies as a refresher. Covers topics such as algebraic equations, ratios, scientific notations and logarithms. Useful for students to self-identify areas of mathematics to improve.   |

## **Timetable**

Monday 2 – 2:50 Assignments How-To Monday 3 – 3:50 Critical Thinking Health Sciences Lecture Theatre Complex 3.06

Tuesday 2 – 2:50 Reading Academic texts

Tuesday 3 - 3:50 Academic Writing and Referencing

Health Sciences Lecture Theatre 1.01

Wednesday 2 – 2:50 Maths Refresher

Wednesday 3 – 3:50 Critical Thinking (Repeat)

Health Sciences Lecture Theatre 1.01

Thursday 2 – 2:50 Assignments How-To (Repeat)

Thursday 3 – 3:50 Academic Writing and Referencing (Repeat)

Health Sciences Lecture Theatre 1.01

Friday 2 – 2:50 Maths Refresher (Repeat)

Friday 3 – 3:50 Reading Academic Texts (Repeat)

Education Lecture Theatre 1.01

Note the different venues for different days. We would love to see you there! If you are interested, please email <u>SLC@flinders.edu.au</u> to RSVP and book a place. For more details, check the orientation planner webpage and select "Yes" from the drop down box asking if you are interested in the Academic Preparation Program.