

Scrawled shortcuts through the research maze...

On Writing

For those struggling with Writers' Block, Writers' Cramp, and Writer's Malaise:

The Elements of Style, by Strunk and White

Not merely a guide to punctuation for the bleary-eyed late night writer, but also a literate and clear reminder of the elements of composition. A short classic originally written by Strunk in 1918 and recast by E.B. White in 1959. **Reference Counter 808 S927e2**

Purdue University Online Writing Lab (OWL)

Not sure how to start your paper? Or how to finish a bibliography? Ask the OWL. This collection of resources on writing is one of the best in the business. Types of essays, improving your writing, citation formats, avoiding plagiarism: http://owl.english.purdue.edu/

Eats, Shoots & Leaves

Humorous yet serious, Lynne Truss' British treatment of punctuation and the associated grammar is an educational 'study break'.

Popular Literature Collection: TRU

Chicago Manual of Style Online

The University of Chicago's standard manual for citation, layout, grammar and other writing questions is recommended in a variety of venues, including the Theological School. Check it out at:

http://ezproxy.drew.edu/login?url=http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/contents.html

MLA Style Manual and Guide to Scholarly Publishing

Most often used in literature and humanities writing, the MLA style guide covers citation formatting, as well as mechanics, choosing topics and evaluating resources.

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Publication manual of the American Psychological Association

The third of the three major style guides, the APA guide shines in statistical advice and research discussions as well as citation styles.

Reference Counter 808.06615 P976p

The Chicago Guide to Writing About Numbers

How to discuss statistical significance of data? The best way to display data in a table or chart? How to choose numerical examples? **REF 808.0665 M648c**

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