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# Welcome to the Faculty Pathway Session: Writing Productivity!



# General tips

- Start your paper with a title page- add your title
- Write a rough first draft of the abstract
- Develop an outline
- Get a good writing team with similar writing goals and external motivations



# Writing Tips

- Write everywhere!
- Set micro writing goals
- Free write
- Don't start with a blank page
- Break down each section of your paper and add writing goals
- On your title page, place the journal you're aiming for
- Schedule writing time
- Determine if you are a night or morning writer



# Write for a Specific Journal

- Resource for finding a journal for your writing:
- **Source:** <https://beckerguides.wustl.edu/c.php?g=648201&p=4545487>
- [Elsevier Journal Finder](#): Elsevier Journal Finder helps you find Elsevier journals that could be best suited for publishing your scientific article. The Journal Finder uses smart search technology and field-of-research specific vocabularies to match your article to Elsevier journals.
- [EndNote Match: Find the Best Fit Journals for Your Manuscript](#): With a few key pieces of information—your title, abstract, and references—EndNote Match can help you find the right journal for your manuscript.
- [Journal/Author Name Estimator \(JANE\)](#): Have you recently written a paper, but you're not sure to which journal you should submit it? Or maybe you want to find relevant articles to cite in your paper? Or are you an editor, and do you need to find reviewers for a particular paper? Jane can help!
- [Publish or Flourish Open Access](#): FlourishOA is a resource for identifying high-quality, high-value open access journals.
- [Springer Journal Suggester](#): Use the Springer Journal Selector to search for all Springer and BioMed Central journals to find a journal for your manuscript.
- [Think. Check. Submit.](#): Think. Check. Submit. is a campaign to help researchers identify trusted journals for their research. It is a simple checklist researchers can use to assess the credentials of a journal or publisher.
- [Web of Science Master List](#): The Web of Science Master list contains a list of approximately 24,000 journals indexed by the Web of Science platform. A manuscript matcher tool is also available.



# Writing for a specific journal

## additional tips:

- Make your own list of top journals in your field (typically connected to your national or international professional organizations). Example American Counseling Association has a list of their ACA recognized journals – most of these are considered “top journals”
- Check your state or regional professional organizations they will often times have journals connected to them (tier 2 or 3 journals)
- Ask your department chair or senior faculty for a list of top journals in the field
- Ask your department chair or senior faculty for a list of journals they would expect someone to have published in at the time of promotion
- Ask department chair or senior faculty about publication outlets they believe ARE NOT top journals in the field ( you can still write for these journals but they might be last on your submission list/ or you might submit there if your article is not a good fit for the other tier 1 or 2 outlets.



# Continued...

- Once you have your list of top journals – you can email the editors of that journal with the title of your manuscript, an abstract, and your target audience – **Questions you can consider asking:**
  - Is the manuscript a good fit for their journal?
  - What are ways to make the manuscript a better fit?
  - Is there a good example that I can follow from the journal for a \_\_\_\_\_ (qualitative, quantitative, or conceptual manuscript- this depends on the type of article you are writing)
  - Ask the editor about the review timeline ( is it longer than 60 days?)
  - Ask about the acceptance rate if it's not published on the website
- Look at examples from your target journal
  - Do you have the type of data that is typically published
  - Will your implications be important to the journal's readership
  - If it's a conceptual article, can you find other conceptual articles in the journal, what do they typically include (e.g., Figures, charts, literature synthesis, innovation section etc.)



# Writing resources

- Book: How to Write a lot: A Practical Guide to Productive Academic Writing ( 2018 new addition) by Paul J. Silvia
- Other resources:
  - <https://nanowrimo.org/> - nonprofit organization that provides **tools, structure, community, and encouragement** to help people find their voices and achieve writing goals.
  - Grammarly – assists with grammar and writing flow
- OSU Resources:
  - University Libraries
  - Center for the Study and Teaching of Writing

# **Time to write!**

**Reminder: Putting words on  
paper, no matter how many words  
you write it is a WIN**





# Thank you for attending!

Please complete the exit survey →



Join us for our upcoming sessions on Oct. 27 (Writing) & Nov. 2 (Teaching) both on Zoom!

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