



XAVIER UNIVERSITY

PATNA

## Department of English

SCHOOL OF LANGUAGE & CULTURAL STUDIES

### ONE-DAY WORKSHOP

# Academic Writing and AI for Research

Research methods, academic writing, reference management and the ethical use of AI in research.

17 August 2026 MONDAY

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### ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

## Xavier University, Patna

Xavier University, Patna, located within the lush green 36 acres campus stands for quality education and excellence. The university offers a diverse range of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in Arts, Commerce, Communication, Science, Management, and Technology. Our mission is to equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in their chosen fields.

Our faculty comprises qualified and experienced professionals who are dedicated to providing quality education and guidance to our students. They adopt innovative teaching methodologies, emphasizing practical learning, industry exposure, and research oriented approaches.

Xavier University, Patna, is committed to nurturing competent professionals who can make a positive impact in their respective domains and contribute to society at large.

### ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

## Department of English

Established in 2025, the Department of English at Xavier University, Patna is committed to excellence in teaching, research, and academic engagement. With a dedicated team of seven full-time members, the department offers a rigorous and interdisciplinary learning environment that combines the study of literature, language, culture, and communication with contemporary critical perspectives. It helps develop intellectual curiosity, analytical thinking, effective communication, and research competencies through innovative pedagogy, research-oriented learning, interdisciplinary engagement, and academic collaboration.

The department prepares students to engage thoughtfully with diverse literary, cultural, and social traditions while equipping them with the critical, linguistic, and professional competencies required in an increasingly interconnected world. Through its academic programmes, research initiatives, seminars, workshops, and community engagement, the Department of English contributes to the intellectual and cultural life of the University and encourages students to become reflective scholars, responsible professionals, and informed global citizens.

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### ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

## Academic Writing, Research Methods, and AI Tools

In the humanities and social sciences, research training is more often assumed than taught. Students are expected to arrive already knowing how to frame a research question, read a field, select a method and handle sources with integrity. In practice, most learn these things by trial and error — usually too late for the learning to change anything.

The day opens with academic writing and research ethics, turns to the literature review as a way of reading a field, moves to research approaches and methods, and closes on the practical side: managing references and using AI tools responsibly.

*The researcher remains the intellectual author of the work. AI assists the labour of research.*

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### OBJECTIVES

*By the end of the day, participants will*

- 01 Structure an academic argument with the clarity expected in scholarly writing.
- 02 Read a body of scholarship as a field of debate and identify a gap.
- 03 Match a research question to an appropriate approach and method, and justify that choice.
- 04 Build and maintain a reference library, and use AI tools for discovery and language support.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Undergraduates, postgraduates and research scholars.

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# Monday, 17 August 2026

09:00 – 09:20 AM

## Welcome Address and Introduction to the Department

Dr Archana Sinha & Sr Dr Grace, SCSC

09:20 – 10:40 AM

## Session 1 Academic Writing and Research Ethics

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| 09:20 – 10:00 AM | Dr Naqui Ahmed John, Patna University |
| 10:00 – 10:40 AM | Dr Anchit Pandey, Patna University    |

TEA BREAK

10:40 – 11:00 AM

11:00 – 11:40 AM

## Session 2 How to do a Literature Review

Dr Anurag Ambasta

TEA BREAK

11:40 AM – 12:00 PM

12:00 – 01:30 PM

## Session 3 Research Approaches and Methods

Dr Priyanka Tripathi, IIT Patna

Lunch Break

01:30 – 02:30 PM

02:30 – 03:30 PM

## Session 4 Reference Management and AI Tools

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| 02:30 – 03:00 PM | Dr Sana Asif    |
| 03:00 – 03:30 PM | Dr Sameer Hasan |

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Dr Anurag Ambasta Xavier University, Patna

Dr Sana Asif Xavier University, Patna

Dr Sameer Hasan Xavier University, Patna

## WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND THIS WORKSHOP

### 01 The skills you want to learn and hone

Framing a question, reading a field, choosing a method — made explicit and practised in a day.

### 02 Use AI without losing authorship

Where AI genuinely helps, where it puts your work at risk, and how to stay on the right side of research ethics.

### 03 Work on your own material

Bring an assignment, paper or dissertation chapter and leave having moved it forward.

## FORMAT AND PRE-REQUISITES

No technical knowledge required; laptops welcome for hands-on sessions.

Every tool explained in everyday language with live demonstrations.

Interactive sessions run on your own coursework or research.



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## PATRONS

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## CONVENER & ORGANISING SECRETARY

Dr Sana Asif

## CO-ORGANISING SECRETARY

Dr Sameer Hasan

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH · FACULTY

### Dr Anurag Ambasta

Assistant Professor & Dean, School of Language & Cultural Studies

Dr Archana Sinha · Assistant Professor & Head

Sr Dr Grace, SCSC · Assistant Professor · Coordinator, IQAC

Mr Abhishek Anand · Assistant Professor

Dr Sana Asif · Assistant Professor

Dr Sameer Hasan · Assistant Professor

## REGISTRATION & ENQUIRIES

### Participation is free.

Seats are limited and allotted on a first-come, first-served basis — register soon at

[forms.gle/bevrJnKsAfBFgazv6](https://forms.gle/bevrJnKsAfBFgazv6)



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