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**Aims**

To develop your confidence in preparing assignments by raising awareness of the process and purpose for writing, taking you through the required steps, from brainstorming to submission, and encouraging good academic practice.

**Outline**

The syllabus is flexible and based on your needs, but will cover:

- Analysing the assignment brief
- Brainstorming techniques
- Developing a position
- Using your reading to support your views
- Acknowledging sources and citation
- Outlining your work
- Proofreading your work

**Outcomes**

By the end of the module you should have:

- Understood what is expected from you when given assignments and be aware of marking criteria
- Developed confident understanding of the different stages of writing
- Considered different ways of accessing sources of good academic quality
- Explored how the assignment brief affects your response and the content of your essay
- Understood the link between the assignment title, the introduction and the conclusion when writing
- Have confidence in being able to tackle the written assignments and have developed your repertoire of study skills