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<td>Reading and Writing Critically</td>
<td>Semesters 1 &amp; 2</td>
<td>10 weeks (2hrs x 10wks)</td>
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**Aims**
To develop your critical thinking skills and enhance your ability to evaluate arguments for credibility, reliability, and consistency when reading in your discipline.

**Outline**
The syllabus is flexible and based on your language needs, but will cover:
- Exposing you to a variety of academic texts and arguments
- Identifying how other writers develop their line of thinking in their work
- Differentiating between fact and opinion, and determining the validity of the argument.
- Evaluating arguments in academic texts and identifying problems based on a logical line of reasoning.
- Exploring how language is used to enhance argumentation.
- Reflection as part of the writing process.

**Outcomes**
By the end of the module you should have:
- Acquired basic critical thinking skills that will help you in selecting and evaluating other writers’ work for your essays.
- Gained confidence in your ability to identify and evaluate arguments in a variety of academic texts.
- Explored how other writers develop their line of reasoning in your discipline.
- Enhanced your ability to critically evaluate academic work.
- Exposed to a variety of academic texts, which will enhance your confidence, speed and understanding.