

HOW TO BUILD WRITING INTO YOUR DAILY ROUTINE AND WHY IT MATTERS

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Why we all need to write more

■ Communicate ■ Disseminate ■ Collaborate Disambiguate









DISCUSSION:

EXAMPLES OF WRITING

- Academics are typically expected to spend 2 days per week on paper writing
- Writing/documenting can easily take 30-100% of the time taken for the item
 - How long do you think it takes to produce: —
 - Meeting minutes
 - Agendas
 - Technical documentation







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DISCUSSION:

WHAT DOES YOUR IDEAL WEEK LOOK LIKE?

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 - Time blocking and batching —
- Prioritize writing
 - Top 3 things —







DISCUSSION:

WHAT ARE YOUR TOP THREE THINGS?

- Identify your 'ideal week'
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 - Time blocking and batching —
- Prioritize writing
 - Top 3 things —
- Get rid of tasks that aren't helping you
 - Learn to say no -
 - Automate _
 - Delegate _





Being productive once you are ready to write

Break it down!

- Project manage your writing habit







Academic Writing Tools ☆	Personal	Revise & Resubmit Project	Finish an Almost Done Article	··· Show Menu
How to use this board Description ■ Board work flow (How to Use This Board) ■ ■ Project Management for Academics - An Introduction – ProtoScholar ● 1 + Add another card	Tasks	Tasks	Project Tasks	
	Read for lit review	Revise & Resubmitadvice and	Almost Done Article Planning Handout $\equiv @ 1$	+ Add a card
	Identify target journal	documents ≡		
	Write abstract	Read reviews. Wait 24 hours before doing anything.	Select 10 days within the next 2-4 weeks to work on your almost done article	
	Write intro			
	Write lit review	Read reviews again	=	
	Write methods	Make a list of the positive things the reviewers said Download the work plan handout attached here.		
	Write results	Create a chart where you will document your revisions process (or use the chart linked here) ≣	@ 1	
	Write discussion		Identify the low-hanging fruit and fill it in on your handout Star the three sections that need the most work. Create a Trello card for each one. ≡ Draw a circle next to the three	
	Write conclusion			
	Format references	Copy all the feedback that needs to be addressed into the left column of the chart =		
	Cross check references			
	Copy edit			
	+ Add another card	+ Add another card	+ Add another card	





Being productive once you are ready to write

Break it down!

- Project manage your writing habit —
- Remove decision making from the writing process:
 - Turn plan into steps —
 - Decide the previous day what you will focus on in your writing session ----
- Remove distractions
- Set a timer/deadline for each small task
- Give yourself 'white space' in your life
- Separate writing and editing







QUESTIONS?

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