

Managing Your Confirmation Seminar and Viva

(Subclass B)

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Date: April 11, 2024 (Thursday)

Time: 3:00 p.m. - 5:50 p.m.

Venue: Main Campus, HKU

Overview

In this workshop, Lowana will share her confirmation experience and invites you to ask her questions and to share your issues and concerns about how to present your research clearly and concisely in a confirmation. Online resources will be used to look at a range of academic communication strategies.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the workshop, students should be able to approach their confirmation seminar or viva with more systematic knowledge and better confidence. More specifically, they should *acquire awareness of the purpose and features* of a confirmation seminar and viva, and *develop skills* to prepare for an effective confirmation seminar and viva.

Learning Activities

Preworkshop task:

Email [Lowana](mailto:lowanaph@hku.hk) at lowanaph@hku.hk, one week before the workshop, questions you have about your confirmation seminar/viva. Lowana will use your questions as part of the workshop.

During the workshop:

- Sharing: [Lowana](#) will share her PhD confirmation experience and poster synergizing academic and visual literacies.
- Share and discuss your research focus and concern:
 1. WRITE 3 KEY WORDS ABOUT YOUR RESEARCH
 2. WRITE 1 SENTENCE PRESENTING YOUR RESEARCH FOCUS
 3. WRITE 1 SENTENCE PRESENTING YOUR RESEARCH VALUE
 4. WRITE 1 Q THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ANSWER
 5. WRITE 1 Q THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ASK ABOUT PRESENTING YOUR RESEARCH AT CONFIRMATION
- Explore postgraduate academic language and confirmation online resources.
- Learn how to present your research by creating clear concise complexity (CCCC).

Postworkshop task with feedback:

Prepare a confirmation poster and email it to Lowana within two weeks.

Remarks

Students are recommended to attend this workshop before or soon after submission of the probationary report or dissertation for examination.