

# ACADEMIC CONVENTIONS



## Component: Academic Writing

ILO: To assess written work for academic quality

### TOOL

Each Institute will have a list of Academic Conventions which are students are expected to observe when writing (from citations and referencing to line-spacing and font choice). It can be useful to students to discuss this in class and help the to understand why they are important and can help give their work clarity and consistency.

### ACTIVITY

Explain one of the Academic Conventions to students and show them some examples.

Set students a writing task in class, based on the session's topic or as part of a written assessment they need to work towards.

Ask the students to work in pairs to assess each other's writing based on the convention.

Finish with a plenary on what they have learned from the task.

### LARGE GROUP TEACHING

This can work well with all class sizes.

### SUCCESS

Students will write academically with reference to relevant conventions.

### NEXT STEPS

Each time you do a written task in class you can refer students to this chapter, maybe highlighting a different aspect each time.