



## Academic Advice

### Peer Advice Desk

A FREE drop-in service in the Learning Centre open to all students in all year levels and all JCU courses. Located on the ground floor of Cairns and Townsville campus libraries.

#### Monday - Friday

**Townsville** 10.00 am – 4.00 pm

**Cairns** 10.00 am – 12.00 pm and 1.00 pm – 3.00 pm

At the Peer Advice Desk you can seek advice from experienced Peer Advisors about:

- Managing your time
- Study strategies
- Understanding and planning your assignment
- Editing strategies
- Basic mathematics and statistics

### Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS)

PASS is a FREE academic support program for selected subjects.

PASS provides a friendly and active learning environment where students can work together to better understand the content and learning outcomes for a subject. The study sessions are facilitated by an experienced student leader and focus on integrating course content (what to learn) with academic reasoning and study skills (how to learn).

Why attend PASS?

- Improve marks and overall academic performance
- Study more effectively
- Understand subject content more deeply
- Develop closer relationships with other students
- Develop teamwork and communication skills

### Studiosity

Access **FREE** online support for all JCU students. This service provides eight personalised online interactions per semester where you can get study help from a real person.

**Connect Live 3pm – midnight**

Connect to a live tutor for help with a question right away, in English, Maths, Science, Business, and other core skills areas.



### Writing Feedback any time

Review of submitted assessment drafts for academic literacy, including structure, spelling, grammar, punctuation and referencing. No review of content, no editing or proofreading.

To access Studiosity

1. Log in to LearnJCU
2. Go to your Subject Site
3. Click on Tools in the right-side menu
4. Click on the Studiosity link

## WORKSHOPS and SHORT COURSES: Study Period 2, 2020

Free and open to JCU students from all year levels and courses

### Maths Refresher

This short course is designed to build confidence and competence in students returning to maths or in need of a refresher. You will be able to work through modules at your own pace with support and guidance from our experienced facilitators who will be on hand to assist you to work through mathematical concepts. This course is particularly helpful for students intending to study courses where mathematics and statistics are required. The Maths Refresher runs for five one-hour sessions.

Fri Jul 24: 10am – 11am (Introduction)

Tue Jul 28: 10am – 11am (Session 2)

Thu Jul 30: 10am – 11am (Session 3)

Mon Aug 3: 10am – 11am (Session 4)

Wed Aug 5: 10am – 11am (Session 5)

One simple link to join -

[https://bit.ly/jcu\\_shortcourse](https://bit.ly/jcu_shortcourse)

### Basic Statistics

Revise basic statistics concepts that will support future learning throughout your degree. You will learn how to collect, organise, analyse and interpret information. Basic Statistics runs for four one-hour sessions.

Fri Jul 31: 12 noon – 1pm (Session 1)

Tue Aug 4: 12 noon – 1pm (Session 2)

Fri Aug 7: 12 noon – 1pm (Session 3)

Mon Aug 10: 12 noon – 1pm (Session 4)

One simple link to join -

[https://bit.ly/jcu\\_shortcourse](https://bit.ly/jcu_shortcourse)

### Academic Writing

This informative and hands-on short course addresses the skills needed to research and write various academic texts such as essays, reports and annotated bibliographies. Bring along your subject outline and get a head start on your assignments with help from our facilitators. Academic Writing runs for three one-hour sessions.

**Part 1** - Unpacking task question and searching library databases

Tue 11 Aug: 12 noon - 1pm (repeated 6pm - 7pm)

**Part 2** - Taking notes and planning for writing

Wed 12 Aug: 12 noon - 1pm (repeated 6pm - 7pm)

**Part 3** - Integrating evidence, editing and referencing

Thu 13 Aug: 12 noon - 1pm (repeated 6pm - 7pm)

One simple link to join -

[https://bit.ly/jcu\\_shortcourse](https://bit.ly/jcu_shortcourse)

### Getting the most from your readings

This workshop will focus on helping you to read more efficiently and develop strategies to interact creatively and critically with the information you have read. Bring along one of your subject readings.

Mon Jul 27: 12 noon – 1pm (repeated 6pm - 7pm)

One simple link to join -

[https://bit.ly/jcu\\_shortcourse](https://bit.ly/jcu_shortcourse)

### Making a Start: an academic orientation for Masters by coursework students

As a new Masters (coursework) student are you unsure of what to expect? This workshop covers expectations for academic writing and writing genres; critical thinking; writing tips; how to approach writing tasks; deciphering subject outlines, task sheets and assessment rubrics/criteria, and tips on data analysis and useful statistics resources.

Join us for a short virtual face-to face session to introduce you to the modules and to the Learning Advisers who are here to support you to succeed.

Fri Jul 24: 12 noon - 1pm

One simple link to join -

[https://bit.ly/jcu\\_shortcourse](https://bit.ly/jcu_shortcourse)

### Need academic support?

Book a consultation with a Learning Adviser  
<https://www.jcu.edu.au/students/learning-centre/contacts/contact-form>

Chat with a Peer Adviser

<https://www.jcu.edu.au/students/learning-centre>

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