

ATLAS.TI 8 (FOR WINDOWS) WORKSHOP

Target Audience: 2nd Year Qualitative Orientated PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

This workshop is designed for novice PG students who are going on follow qualitative research methods. The aim of the workshop is to introduce the main features of ATLAS.ti 8 (for Windows). The workshop is divided into 4 main parts:

- Introductory qualitative methodology,
- Preparing your data,
- Analyzing qualitative data
- Creating outputs.

Outcomes:

By the end of workshop, the participants are able to:

- Familiar with types of qualitative data that are analysed by the software.
- Code a variety of qualitative data such as text, video and voice recording.
- Implement ATLAS.ti functions in analysing a variety of qualitative data such as text, video and voice recording.

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ENDNOTE WORKSHOP

Target Audience: PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

EndNote is a reference management and bibliography-creation program; it allows to collect, organise and store references, as well as create formatted citations and reference lists in Microsoft Word. The workshop aims to give a hand-on training experience on using EndNote in development online references for their research project/dissertation. The workshop covers the following skills:

- Activating the EndNote toolbar in Word
- Inserting references manually into EndNote.
- Inserting and editing references in Word documents.
- Importing references from secondary databases into EndNote, by using import filters, direct export options and online searching
- Changing the citation style of research document.

Outcomes:

- Capture citation/bibliographic information.
- Create and modify reference types.
- Incorporate End Note function in their research outputs.

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RESEARCH ETHICAL APPROVAL

Target Audience: PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

Ethical approval is required for any research to protect human participants' dignity, rights, safety and to ensure that the well-being of all participants are the primary consideration of the research project. At Sohar University, all research projects and dissertation, that involve humans, human data or animals, conducted by either staff or students, must undergo an ethics review by the Ethics Committee.

The purpose of ethical approval workshop is to introduce the PG students the importance of considering ethics issues before and while conducting their projects or dissertations. This hand-on workshop shows the students process and procedures from determining the ethical issues in their research to submitting the ethic forms to get ethical approvals.

Outcomes:

- Understand and appreciate the importance of the ethical issues in their research.
- Follow the appropriate procedures of getting the ethical approval.
- Apply ethical thinking to issues that may arise during their research.

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HOW TO BENEFIT FROM IT SERVICES

Target Audience: New PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

Sohar University offers many information and communication services to its students during their study. SU email, SULMs and supporting software are examples of these services. This hand-on works to show PG students how to utilize these services, e.g., how to activate their SU emails accounts and how download the free-licensed software in their PC and mobile devices.

Outcomes:

- Communicate with the others using SU IT services.
- Download the learning resources and materials.
- Utilize the ICT in their study.

English/
Arabic

“HOW TO GET PREPARED FOR VIVA”.

Target Audience: 2nd Year PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

The workshop will equip PG students with the required strategies and skills in order to properly defend their viva. It will mainly shed light on the procedures of the viva, the expectations of the panel and the marking criteria for successfully defending one's thesis. The workshop offers ideas to help the PG students perform calmly and confidently in their oral examination.

Outcomes:

- have a clear idea of the structure of a viva
- understand what examiners will be looking for from the viva
- prepare viva presentations which include the required information to present the viva to the exam Panel.

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Arabic

PG PUBLISHING

Target Audience: 2nd Year PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

The purpose of the workshop is to understand the process and tips for preparing to construct and submit a research paper of their projects/dissertation, and to clarify the academic publishing process, specifically in relation to journals such as choosing a journal, preparing a manuscript, and publication timelines.

Outcomes:

- Understand the process of publishing.
- Identify the essential components of a research paper from their projects/dissertation.
- Construct a research paper to ready for publication.

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SPSS FOR PG STUDENTS

Target Audience: 2nd Year PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

BM SPSS Statistics is considered as one of the most widely used computer package for statistical analysis to organize, interpret, and present data. The software package is used for logical batched and non-batched statistical analysis.

The hand-on workshop covers the following skills:

- Introduction to SPSS software and interface.
- Introduction to data, variables, types of variables and scales of measurement.
- Descriptive statistics: e.g., means and median and standard deviation.
- Inferential statistics: e.g., null hypothesis and p-value.

Outcomes:

- Creating a new data set from their research tools and entering data into SPSS.
- Performing data transformations e.g. compute and recode variables.
- Calculating descriptive and inferential statistics for their research data.

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STRESS MANAGEMENT FOR PG

Target Audience: PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

Postgraduate studies can be stressful and challenging to many PG students that may affect the academic performance, physical and mental wellbeing of students. Obtaining skills and techniques to overcome study stress is essential. The workshop sheds light on understanding of what stress is, awareness of how it affects them and strategies of handling stress more effectively

Outcomes:

- Identify their study stress.
- Apply tips to manage it.
- Evaluate stress change in themselves.

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SUPERVISING PG STUDENTS

Target Audience: PG Students Supervisors.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

Supervision is a continuous educational process to provide postgraduate students with high-quality advice, support and direction in their journey for academic and professional excellence. Supervision also entails the supervisor-supervisee relationship that should be based on mutual agreement, transparency and respect. The workshop aims to shed light on processes, activities and areas of research supervision.

Outcomes:

- Offer good supervision guidance to PG students
- •Maintain a good relationship with PG students
- •Apply a good practice of research supervision

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TURNITIN WORKSHOP

Target Audience: PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

Sohar University has adopted a web-based service to detect plagiarism through a software system called "Turnitin", which compares students' written works with a wide database of web sources, open access materials and other dissertations and commercial texts. This hand-on workshop aims to explain what Turnitin and how it can help with your academic writing. Also, it focuses on how PG students send their research output to be checked by their supervisors.

Outcomes:

- View, understand and interpret the TURNITIN reports.
- Submit their assignments via a Turnitin assignment link created by their supervisors in SULMS or on TURNITIN website.

English/
Arabic

HOW TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A PROJECT/ DISSERTATION PROPOSAL AT SOHAR UNIVERSITY

Target Audience: 2nd Year PG Students.

Location: PG Hall, 3rd Floor, Learning Resources Building.

Overview:

The workshop targets second year master students who will be required to submit a research proposal (RP). It aims at making the students avoid some pitfalls in writing the components of the RP, giving them the opportunity to ask questions, raising their awareness of what elements to be included in the RP, equipping them well to write a good RP, and enabling them to overcome the challenges of writing an effective RP. The workshop covers the following topics:

- methods for formulating a solid research question and hypotheses
- writing a literature review
- methods for determining the appropriate research methodology and securing data
- Developing a Research plan.

Outcomes:

- Describe the components of research proposal.
- Write an introduction to your proposal.
- Write the research question(s) for your proposal.
- Develop a research proposal considering the components of research proposal.

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