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Osmond's *Academic Writing and Grammar for Students* is a clear and practical learning resource for all in higher education who are keen to develop their writing skills. With well-defined learning outcomes supported by accessible content and sound examples, it offers a lively, engaging guide to enhancing the quality and clarity of students' writing. Now in its second edition, Osmond's book offers a usefully expanded chapter on critical thinking, plus updated suggestions for further reading.

(Dr Kate Daniels 2015-06-11)

This is an excellent text for both UK and international students at all levels and in a variety of subject areas. It gives valuable advice on how to put sentences and paragraphs together in a meaningful way. For students who find it difficult to get their ideas down on paper, this book provides some excellent strategies and techniques to overcome this challenge.

(Ruth Hewston 2015-07-07)

There are lots of books on correct usage of English, but where this book distinguishes itself from the rest is its focus on academic writing. As well as perhaps obvious (to teachers) advice to avoid emotive language in essays, the book contains information on sentence structure and other aspects of grammar. What is especially good is that the examples are all taken from academic writing in different subject areas. In addition, the book is easy to read because it has a simple two-colour format with clear headings. (Terry Freedman)

About the Author

Alex Osmond has worked as an Academic Skills Adviser, helping to launch Brunel University's ever-expanding ASK service, and is now VLE Project Manager at the university. As part of these roles he has provided guidance to students both online and face-to-face, and students consistently praise the advice he has given, which has often translated directly into higher grades.

Alex has also taught a wide variety of skills sessions across Brunel's degree programmes, working to develop online resources aimed at improving academic writing, and also co-managed the Study Skills Collection at Brunel University Library.

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