



**Writing 2131G:
No Bones About It: Writing in the Science
Winter 2023**

Section:650

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ATTENDANCE:

This is an online course, and there is, therefore, no scheduled class, and no penalties for missing class. However, it is your responsibility to stay engaged with the course. A regular class requires you to attend class at least once and often twice a week. You should be logging on to our OWL site a bare minimum of this number of times a week, and, ideally, several more.

SUBMITTING ASSIGNMENTS:

All assignments should be submitted through the Assignments drop boxes on OWL by 5:30 pm on the Friday of the week the assignment is due with the exception of Assignment 5, which is due by 5:30pm on Monday April 10.

Note: All assignments must be submitted as Microsoft Word files. As a Western student, you have access to this program through your Outlook site (the site you use for your Western email). The one exception to this is the Poster which must be submitted as a PowerPoint slide. Assignments that do not conform to these file types will receive a grade of 0%.

LATE ASSIGNMENTS:

Late assignments will be penalized 5% a day.

Do not

- fax assignments

- e-mail assignments

Keep copies (electronic, paper, or both) of all assignments submitted.

EMAIL POLICY:

I respond to email in one working day. You can email me at aschnei4@uwo.ca or through OWL email. I do not respond to email on the weekend.

Please note that UWO Instructors can respond only to UWO e-mail addresses. Grades can be communicated only through the Mail aspect of Sakai (OWL), not through UWO e-mail.

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Students must write their essays and assignments in their own words. Whenever students take an idea, or a passage of text from another author, they must acknowledge their debt both by using quotation marks where appropriate and by proper referencing such as footnotes or citations. Plagiarism is a major academic offence. Information for Writing Studies Instructors Fall/Winter 2022-2023

All required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers submitted for such checking will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the licensing agreement currently Western and Turnitin.com <http://www.turnitin.com>

(Please note that the above required statement does not rule out additional cautions by the instructor including, perhaps, reminding students that plagiarism includes double submission of an assignment to two courses without the permission of both instructors. Above all, every instance of egregious plagiarism "with intent to deceive" must be reported to the Director of Writing Studies, in order to determine the penalty and to check for previous offences. A second offence will result in more serious penalties at the Dean's level.)

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Medical Accommodation Policy:

Documentation from Hospital Urgent Care Centres or Emergency Departments

Students should request that an SMC be filled out. Students may bring this form with them, or request alternative Emergency Department documentation. Documentation should be secured at the time of the initial visit to the Emergency Department. Where it is not possible for a student to have an SMC completed by the attending physician, the student must request documentation sufficient to demonstrate that their ability to meet their academic responsibilities was seriously

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https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/Academic%20Accommodation_disabilities.pdf

Students who are in emotional/mental distress should refer to MentalHealth@Western: ([https://www.uwo.ca/health/psych/0ddAll\(fbf a complet list ofoptions/aa](https://www.uwo.ca/health/psych/0ddAll(fbf%20a%20complet%20list%20of%20options/aa)

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Week 4 (January 30-February arruary

Week 8

Week 12 (April 3-6):

Topic: Revising Strategies, and Sundry Grammatical Issues

Readings:

Writing Science: Chapter 12: Writing Science with Style and Styles

Writing Science: Chapter 13: Editing Sentences

Grammar Handbook: Chapter 25

Week 13 (April 10):

Assignment: Assignment #5: Research Paper due by 5:30 on Monday, April 10 by 5:30pm