

## The Vientiane College Diploma - Module Overview

### DIPWP124 Academic Writing: The Process

#### Overview of the module

In this module, you will learn about how to write an effective academic essay. The focus will be on the overall process of producing an academic essay, from the initial task analysis to the research and planning stages, through to writing, referencing and proofreading.

#### Key questions explored in the module

- How is academic research conducted?
- How do I analyse a task so I know what to focus on?
- What is the structure of an academic essay?
- How can I plan an extended essay?
- Why is important to reference and how can I avoid plagiarizing?

#### Skills

This module will help you improve your English language skills with a special emphasis on:

- analysing a task
- reading and note-taking
- paraphrasing from a source
- referencing academically
- composing introductions and conclusions
- building paragraphs
- applying an “academic style”
- proofreading

#### Performance Tasks

In the module you will:

- research a topic for an essay
- produce an effective plan for an extended essay
- provide a list of references in the appropriate style
- write an academic essay

