101 Introduction to Thesis Writing I

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1. **Time and Location**: Friday, 3rd period (13:00~14:30), Rm 131 of School of Letters

2. **Purpose**

   This is a beginner's level writing course intended for learning and practicing the basic structure and rules of academic writing. Students are expected to understand how to organise an essay, from a sentence to paragraphs and sections, and how to build arguments and evidences to reach a conclusion. Technical issues in relation to writing, such as finding resources and using citation, will be also covered.

3. **Course Content**

   Lectures will be on basic rules of academic writing, including sentence and paragraph structure, argument building, finding resources, and revision process. There will be also discussion about reading materials and in-class writing and revision.

4. **Prerequisite**

   This course is primarily designed for freshman year G30 students. Class will be conducted in English.

5. **Textbook**

   No particular textbook is required. Reading materials will be handed out if necessary.

6. **Evaluation**

   Short writing (reading response) 10%
   Two mid-term essays (with revision) 40%
   End of term essay 40%
   Class Participation 10%