



# PUTRA SARJANA SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS 2014

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO-UPM SPECIAL WORKSHOPS MAY 2014

## MANAGING THE WRITING PROCESS

Date: 28/5/2014

Time: 8.30 am – 12.30 pm

Venue: Training Room School of Graduate Studies 2, UPM

Facilitator: Dr. Vijay Kumar Mallan

Many postgraduate students find it difficult to start, manage and struggle to sustain their writing. Among those difficulties include procrastination, distractions and the lack of motivation. In this seminar, you will get insights as to what strategies skilled and prolific writers use to get writing done. Among the topics that will be discussed are:

- Writing with power
- Power over the text
- Control over the writing process
- Control over self
- Energy vampires
- Practical strategies in planning to write
- Habitual writing strategies
- Revision as a process of discovery
- Attending to feedback as a dialogic process
- Writer response/accountability groups



All fees must be fully paid before commencement of the course. Otherwise, participants will not be allowed to enter the lecture hall. Students can register for the courses by email: [putrasarjana2014@gmail.com](mailto:putrasarjana2014@gmail.com) or at Putra Sarjana Office, SGS 2, UPM or contact Mr. Mohd Fariq Ismail.

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## ABOUT THE FACILITATOR



Dr. Vijay served as an Associate Professor in the Department of English, Faculty of Modern Languages and Communication, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) before taking up his current position as the Deputy Head of Department, Higher Education and Development Centre, University of Otago in New Zealand. His current role involves developing, researching and providing support for postgraduate teaching and learning. Dr. Vijay earned his PhD in Applied Linguistics from the University of Otago in New Zealand. He has taught courses in academic writing, research methods, speech communication and presentation skills. He has conducted more than 90 workshops on managing postgraduate studies, publishing during candidature, providing quality postgraduate supervision, providing feedback, effective academic writing, the viva and presenting research in Malaysian, New Zealand and Australian universities. Dr. Vijay is an invited member of the International Doctoral Education Research Network (IDERN), a member of the European Association of Learning and also a member of the Higher Education Research and Development Society of Australia. His research expertise and interests are in the areas of doctoral feedback practices, graduate attributes, doctoral support, doctoral supervision, doctoral examination and disseminating research.



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