



Hello postgrads of 2024, and welcome back to the Research Commons! For the newcomers, a warm welcome to you too! As you dive into another year of academic exploration, we are thrilled to be your companions on this research journey. Whether you are just starting out or nearing the finish line of your postgrad studies, the Research Commons is your haven—a space where you can connect with peers, secure your own productive space, and tap into an abundance of resources tailored to your scholarly pursuits.

Our Research Commons

Our Research Commons spans three locations across the University of Pretoria: at Hatfield in the Merensky 2 Library, at Groenkloof in the Education Library, and at Onderstepoort at the Jotello F Soga Library. Staffed by research information assistants during library hours, each Commons is designed to cater to your academic needs. Be sure to check our [library hours](#), as they vary by location. Feel free to drop by for a chat or [schedule an appointment](#) with our dedicated team. For more details, simply navigate to the services tab on the [main library webpage](#) and select [Research Support](#).

Research Commons Workshops

We are thrilled to announce two upcoming workshops tailored to enhance your research skills:

- [MS Word Formatting](#)
 - Wed. March 13 from 9:00-12:00
- [SPSS for Beginners](#)
 - Wed. March 27 from 9:00-12:00

Both workshops will be conducted on Level 3 of the Merensky 2 Library in the Training Rooms. To secure your spot, please click on the respective links!

We're committed to walking alongside you throughout your research journey. Whenever you need guidance or support, don't hesitate to reach out. Here's to a fruitful 2024—we're rooting for your success every step of the way!

Warm regards,
The Research Commons Staff
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Research Guide and Tools

Did you know the [Research Support](#) section on the library website also offers an array of resources to enrich your postgraduate experience? From funding opportunities to statistical assistance, referencing software to navigating USpace submissions, our Research Support is designed to streamline every aspect of your academic journey. Dive into our comprehensive [Research Guide](#), a roadmap from proposal to data collection to publication. And don't forget to swing by the Research Guide weekly for our Research Tip of the Week, packed with insights to sharpen your scholarly skills.

New Staff Members

Join us in extending a warm welcome to three new members of the Research Commons team:

- **Thembi** (Merensky 2 Library, Hatfield)
- **Hope** (Merensky 2 Library, Hatfield Campus)
- **Delipher** (Education Library, Groenkloof)

Feel free to stop by, get to know them, and welcome them into our Research Commons community!