

# **Smarthinking Graduate Support**

Smarthinking's support for graduate students spans the educational experience, from acceptance to graduation and beyond. Our expert tutors, 90% of whom hold a master's degree or PhD in their field, are here to help your students navigate the most important aspects of graduate-level work—evaluating and synthesizing research in order to generate new ideas about their fields in relation to existing scholarship.

### Writing

Smarthinking writing tutors help students locate and evaluate scholarly sources and understand the different types of sources that might be suitable for graduate-level work. In a recent session, a writing tutor helped a graduate student assess a literature review's effectiveness at evaluating sources and drawing conclusions.

Students can submit any writing project for Smarthinking writing review—from thesis proposals to case studies to dissertation chapters. Similarly, tutors work with students one-to-one in real time, helping with a wide range of writing- and research-related questions. On a daily basis, our expert writing tutors assist students with any part of the writing, research, and revision processes, including:

- developing theses and hypotheses
- organizing and strengthening their arguments
- evaluating source material and accurately citing sources using APA and MLA

Smarthinking's personalized, substantive writing review service has already helped thousands of graduate-level users develop and refine their research projects, case studies, presentations, business plans, and many other writing assignments for a wide array of graduate coursework.

### **Career Services**

Smarthinking Career Writing services can help students prepare applications for post-graduate work, scholarships, internships, and work placements.

Tutors provide detailed, personalized writing review of any job search materials, including resumes, cover letters, application essays, personal statements, and employment profiles. Live coaches are available to help students with any phase of the application process. Whenever job seekers need one-to-one guidance to more effectively position themselves in the marketplace, Smarthinking coaches provide targeted feedback to help these job seekers better articulate why they are the best fit for the position and prepare for crucial interviews by practicing answers to common interview questions.

Smarthinking helps graduate students refine the crucial communication skills they need to succeed in graduate school and into the workplace.

### **Mathematics and Statistics**

Students from all disciplines who need support in mathematics and statistics can work with expert tutors to master both basic and advanced skills necessary to make progress towards their degree. For example, students who need clarification on regression analysis, ANOVA tables, or categorical data analysis can work one-to-one with a statistics tutor in a session tailored to address their specific questions and roadblocks.

## **Business**

Smarthinking's Business Studies tutors help students in MBA, MHA, and other master's level business programs, bridge the gap between undergraduate and graduate course work. Tutors encourage students as they build understanding of background knowledge, equipping them to successfully progress in their programs. As a few recent examples:

- An MBA student in her first semester utilized live, on-demand Introductory Accounting tutoring to refresh her memory on financial statements and financial analysis ratios. With this knowledge, she successfully completed a business proposal.
- A graduate student recently sought help in Cost Accounting to build an understanding of initial investment outlays so he could effectively move forward with the assignment.
- An MHA student recently worked with a Finance tutor to confirm her understanding of financial ratios as part of a case study analysis.

Additionally, tutoring support for Microsoft Excel, Access, Word, and PowerPoint help students troubleshoot everything from Excel regressions to PowerPoint animation, allowing them to always look their best and convey ideas efficiently.

Through personalized, on-demand tutoring Smarthinking helps graduate students refine their thought processes and synthesize theory with application to be successful in the classroom and beyond.