Seminar 1 27.01 (**digital**)

- Choosing a topic for your project and getting started
- Content, structure and language of the project description

Preparation:

1. Browse the useful resources page, and read one of the chapters on preparing for your project and getting started (Biggam, Buckingham, or Furuseth & Everett).

2. Write down three things you know about your topic idea(s), that you can share with the rest of the group, as well as three things you know you will have to find out more about. If you do not have a topic yet, write down three things related to the English subject that you are interested in/feel strongly about/have found interesting in the English courses you have followed as part of your higher education. You can also have a look at the presentation slides from the topic presentations in December: Tips til temaer for masteroppgaven. Fagpresentasjoner 17.12.2021

Powerpoint-presentation: Seminar 1

Seminar 2 10.02

- From topic to research question
- Finding and critically evaluating relevant sources

Preparation:

- Find two MA theses relevant to your topic idea(s) and follow the instructions on the final slide from the PP from seminar 1 (see above).

Handout: Seminar 2 Handout.pdf w/ text from Goodson, P. (2017). B*ecoming an academic writer: 50 exercises for paced, productive, and powerful writing* (2nd ed.). Thousand Oaks, California: SAGE Publications Inc.

Presentation from previous students – good advice for where you are now 10.02.22

Example reading and writing-system.pdf

Seminar 3 10.03

PREPARATION:

1. Make sure your key words on this page reflect what you are thinking now: **Groups, English 2022**
2. Prepare to talk about your own "Reading and Writing system" (see the handout from seminar 2, "Reading-&Writing: How to Stop Making the Literature Review an Excuse for Not Writing".)
3. Read one of the example project descriptions (scroll down here)
4. **Prepare to briefly (ten-fifteen minutes) present your ideas for your master's project to some of your fellow students (see the handout from seminar 2, page 11)**

Questions that came up during the seminar:

- Questions about ethics and "personvern": https://www.inn.no/bibliotek/oppgaveskriving/datainnsamling-og-personvern/
  Contact person: Usman Ashgar: https://www.inn.no/om-hogskolen/personvern
- Potentially useful tools for systematic background reading:
  - Zotero
  - https://www.ub.uio.no/english/writing-publishing/referencing/zotero/
  - https://www.inn.no/english/library/academic-and-assignment-writing/zotero/
- Converting from EndNote to Zotero: https://www.zotero.org/support/kb/endnote_import
  - EndNote
  - https://www.inn.no/english/library/academic-and-assignment-writing/endnote/
  - Evernote
  - https://evernote.com/intl/no/why-evernote
  - Google Docs
  - Office 365:
  - https://www.inn.no/it-brukerstotte/office-365/