

DOCTORAL SUPPORT CENTER
OPERATION DISSERTATION ACCELERATION (ODA)
FALL 2011
ORANGE COUNTY CAMPUS CENTER



Operation Dissertation Acceleration (ODA) is an intensive writing retreat for doctoral students who need/want to set aside a serious block of time to make a significant push toward the next step in their dissertation.

The retreat is designed for students who:

- A) Have research question(s) but have not been able to complete chapters 1, 2, and 3 (the proposal); or
- B) Have defended their proposal and collected data, but have not completed chapters 4 and 5.

Retreat participants will be selected and assigned to work directly with a DSC writing advisor. For the Orange County ODA, the ratio of advisor to students will be 1-4 which means students will have significant support and interaction on their project. In addition, participants will exchange papers and support each other through peer-to-peer feedback.

**New
Format**

WORKSHOP DATES

Thursday, 09/22/11 9 AM – 9 PM
Friday, 09/23/11 9 AM – 9 PM
Saturday, 09/24/11 9 AM – 9 PM
Sunday, 09/25/11 9 AM – 5 PM

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Monday, August 29, 2011

ACCEPTANCE NOTIFICATION

Friday, September 9, 2011

LOCATION

Orange County Campus Center
2300 Michelson Drive, Irvine CA 92612
***There is no fee and space is limited to 8 students so apply early. ***

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Contact Information

Name:

Address:

Phone:

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Dissertation Information

1. Give a 2-3 sentence description of your dissertation topic area:

2. What is/are your research question(s)?

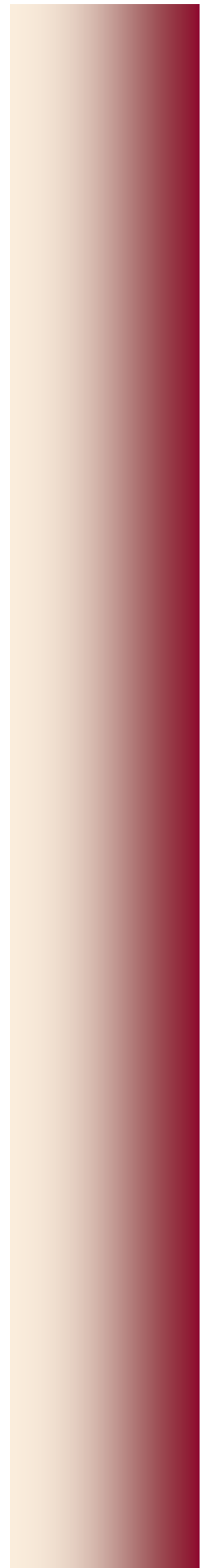
3. What research methods do you plan to use/are using for this study?

4. What stage are you in?

- a. I have my research question(s), and have discussed a methodology with my chair, but I have not finished writing chapters 1, 2, and 3.
- b. I defended my proposal and have collected data, but I have not finished writing chapters 4 and 5.

5. Tell us what you think you can accomplish by spending four days in this intensive writing experience.

6. We will be contacting your dissertation chair to ask about their sense of where you are in the dissertation process, what challenges you may be experiencing, and to what extent this workshop could be helpful to you. What do you think your chair will tell us?



Please submit your application AND the most recent version of what you have completed regarding your dissertation (your approved proposal, or your research questions, or your research questions plus an outline of the first three chapters – whatever you have) to:

BY MAIL:

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Thank you for your interest in this opportunity!