

PHILOSOPHICAL CONSULT | ACADEMIC RESEARCH & WRITING FEES

Academic research and writing rates, whether flat rate or hourly, typically fall within the ranges indicated below based on 250 words per manuscript page. These are industry standard for editing services *in general* and should be used only as a guideline; rates vary depending on the nature of the work (or specialization), the time frame of the assignment, and other factors.

- Research – Fee Range: \$40-\$75/hr.
- Writing (General/Non-Specified) – Average Pace: 1-3 ms pgs./hr., Fee Range: \$40-\$100/hr.
- Writing (Technical Academic) – Average Pace: 1-3 ms pgs./hr., Fee Range: \$50-\$60/hr.

The process of academic research & writing includes several high-level activities: concept development, strategy, identification & procurement of relevant resources & data, critical reading, critical & creative writing, interpretation of research sources and data, rhetorical writing, and more. Thorough documentation/citation, careful acknowledgment of research resources, and well-reasoned argumentation are critical components of scholarly work.

OUR AREAS OF SPECIALITY

We specialize in academic research and writing in the fields of philosophy and psychology. Our areas of emphasis include topics related to death & dying, quality of life & happiness, loss, change & grief, elder interests, and nature. We offer academic research and academic writing assistance. Learn more by visiting our [Academic Research & Writing](#) page on our website.

ESTIMATING YOUR PROJECT COST

While we work on an hourly basis, the following should provide you with a general idea of what your project might cost. In the case of academic writing, identify the target number of pages for your manuscript (based on 250 words per manuscript page). Then divide this figure by two (pages per hour) and multiply by the applicable hourly rate below. In the case of academic research, identify the number of hours you want dedicated to research and multiply by the applicable rate below.

NOTE: When estimating your target page count for your manuscript/document, make sure to consider footnotes, endnotes, works cited, references, bibliographies, table of contents, etc.

NOTE: Research speed can vary considerably depending on several factors, including the nature of the research activity (i.e., from scratch vs. provided resources), subject matter & resource availability.

RESEARCH RATES

- **Academic Research Assistance** – Average Pace 2 ms pgs./hr., Fee Range: \$50-\$75/hr.

EXAMPLE A: 15 hours of research assistance is estimated for a project. The project cost could range from \$750-\$1,125.

EXAMPLE B: 30 hours of research assistance is estimated for a project. The project cost could range from \$1,500-\$2,250.

WRITING RATES

- **Academic Writing Assistance** – Average Pace 2 ms pgs./hr., Fee Range: \$60-\$90/hr.

EXAMPLE A: A 15-page manuscript consists of 3,750 words. At roughly 2 pages per hour for academic writing assistance (7.5 hours total), the project cost could range from \$450-\$675.

EXAMPLE B: A 30-page manuscript consists of 7,500 words. At roughly 2 pages per hour for academic writing assistance (15 hours total), the project cost could range from \$900-\$1,350.

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND

While assistance with academic research and academic writing is not cheap, it's important to keep in mind that *your work is an investment*. Research and writing are critical components of your work, especially if the end goal is publishing (or having your voice heard in the broader spectrum). Typically, good academic researchers and writers are well-educated (often with Masters or Doctoral degrees), possess a broad spectrum of knowledge, and have published in one capacity or another. Good academic research and writing with the right research and writing assistant can lead to success.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Clients can pay in one of three ways: cash, check, or debit/credit card (on-line).

- **Cash** | Pay in Person
- **Check** | Pay in Person, Mail to Office
- **Debit Card & Credit Card** | An invoice will be sent to you via e-mail with a link to complete your payment on-line.

A retainer fee equal to 50% of the estimated project is typically required up front. Rush projects can be accommodated but will result in an additional fee. Graduated payment plans are available for all clients as needed. For individuals experiencing financial hardship, we also offer sliding scale rates for projects that exceed fifteen hours. Please be sure to inquire if you feel you might qualify so that we can provide you with the necessary intake form to determine eligibility.