**Academic Writing (angļu valodā)**

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**Lecture 1:** **Peculiarities of Academic Writing in English**

Information question vs. issue question. Developing your research. Different types of academic writing: proposal, article, abstract. Basics of correspondence in English. Query letters and proposals for publication. Writing an abstract. Writing a literature review. Some peculiarities of academic writing in English: titlesquotations the use of short forms, etc.

**Practice**: Analyses of query letters, summaries and literature reviews.

**Lecture 2:** **Style and Register**

Style and register. Rewording. Stylistic choice. Types of context. Stylistic varieties.

**Practice**: Recognizing register, distinguishing between formal and informal English, formal and informal vocabulary, register transfer.

**Lecture 3:** **Structure and Unity**

Structure. Unity in writing. Editing for unity. Coherence in writing. Cohesive devices: transitions, pronoun reference, repetition of key nouns and ideas. The structure of a paragraph. The topic and the main idea. The structure of an article. Thesis statements and hypotheses. The importance of introduction and conclusions. Political correctness.

**Practice**: Connecting words in formal and informal English, editing for unity and coherence, writing a strong thesis statement, writing introductions and conclusions.