FEEDBACK ON THE FULL DRAFT EXTENDED ESSAY: LESSON #16

This lesson will allow you to focus on the feedback from your supervisor and help you act on it to finalise your essay

By now your supervisor will have sent feedback on your draft essay. Please look at the submitted activity in the previous lesson to see this feedback.

The feedback will be in written form and you need to work through the advice and suggestions, and ensure that you understand everything that's been noted.

Obviously your supervisor is the expert in the field and therefore you really should be acting on the advice that he or she gives to you.

Once you've read through everything started making the final changes, it is almost certain that you are going to need some sort of Check-in session. This will help to clarify that you've understood everything and you are on the right track.

FEEDBACK CHECKLIST

Below is a checklist to help you work with the feedback you receive on your final draft:

- Make sure you have a Check-in meeting with your supervisor once he/she has read your draft.
- It is probably best that this Check-in meeting happens once you have read the comments that have been put on your draft.
- Go to the meeting with any questions you have about the comments made. The role of your supervisor is to advise you on potential problems and make general suggestions for how to improve the essay. The supervisor's role is not to tell you what to do.
- If you have ideas about how to improve given the comments made, you may want to share some of those ideas with your supervisor.
- Go back to your reflection from the last lesson. Look at the strengths and weaknesses you identified in the essay and see how well your supervisor's comments match with those.
- If there are any major contradictions between your viewpoint and your supervisor's viewpoint, seek clarification.
- Ensure you leave the meeting with a clear idea of what you need to do and how you are going to achieve this. This is something you should have been considering along the way, but you now have to produce a final version.

TASK: REFLECTION: STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES

You now need to work further on your essay to produce a final version. This may take a number of weeks. You'll submit it in the next lesson.

For this lesson:

- 1. Arrange and carry out your last Check-in session with your supervisor.
- 2. Keep making notes in your Researcher's Reflection Space. You will be asked to share this with your supervisor in your final meeting. This is an important time for reflection as you should be reflecting on what your supervisor has said or written, and ensuring it is acted upon.
- 3. **Reflection task**: As you are making the final changes, reflect on what you think are the 5 main strengths and 5 main weaknesses of your essay. Submit these to the Journal Activity here. Alternatively place them in your Researcher's Reflection Space, and submit a link to this. This will provide a basis for the conversation you will have with your supervisor after he/she has read your essay.

(Note: This assignment is not graded - it will just be reviewed by your supervisor.)