PREPARING FOR THE 2013-14 NURSING COMP EXAM

For some, the Comp Exam can be a daunting prospect. We want you to know that you are not alone in this process. The School of Nursing has created several very useful workshops and information sessions with the goal of helping you successfully write and pass the Comp Exam.

 Faculty Overview

The Nuts & Bolts of the Comp Exam Process

- **What is it?** Each spring and fall, the School's faculty offer an evening information session.

- **What's covered?** The Comp Exam Process, the Comp Exam Handbook, eligibility to sit for the Comp Exam, key dates and deadlines, technical requirements, and resources available to students.

- **When is it?** The fall Orientation Presentation will be on Wednesday, October 30, 5-7pm, in HSW 300. The Spring Date will be announced at the beginning of Spring Quarter.

- **Want more help?** A copy of the PowerPoint presentation and video of an earlier information session is available on the School’s website in the “Documents” section, under “Master of Science Program”:
  

 Librarian Guidance

Workshops on the Literature Search Process & Using RefWorks

- **What is it?** The UCSF Library offers 2 workshops on how to search the literature and using RefWorks to document your references – key elements in a successful Comp Exam.

- **Where, when & how do I sign up?** Register online using the links below:

  1. **Literature Searching**
     - November 13, 2013, Room CL231. 12-1pm
     - November 13, 2013, Room S165A. 12-1pm
     - November 20, 2013, Room S165A. 10:30-11:30am
     - December, 04, 2013, Room CL231. 12-1pm

- **Getting Started with RefWorks**
  - December 04, 2013. Room S165A. 12-1pm
  - January 29, 2014. Room CL231. 12-1pm

 Advice from a Writing Coach

Writing the Comp Well Workshops

- **What is it?** Karen Borst-Rothe is a professional writing instructor, offering the following free workshops on academic writing with an emphasis on the two Comp Exam formats.

- **Where & when?** All workshops are from 5:30-7:30 pm, room TBD.

  1. **Literature Review and Research Option**
     - January 29, 2014
  2. **Problem Solving Option**
     - February 5, 2014
  3. **Miss the sessions? Watch the video:**
     - [http://vimeo.com/59171654](http://vimeo.com/59171654)

Use TURNITIN

Turnitin is a web-based plagiarism detection and prevention system. It can be used as a means to teach you how to work with sources and to raise awareness of paraphrasing, so you can cite properly. For more information, please visit: [https://courses.ucsf.edu/enrol/index.php?id=159](https://courses.ucsf.edu/enrol/index.php?id=159), section 6.

Important Comp Exam Dates

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