1. **Seminars and Classes for all HDR students**

1. **Engineering Faculty program:** Seminars and classes for research students are run by Jane Moodie, the Research Student Academic Support Lecturer in the Engineering Faculty. These are outlined at: [http://www.eng.monash.edu.au/current-students/lls.html](http://www.eng.monash.edu.au/current-students/lls.html)

2. **Monash Institute of Graduate Research (MIGR) programs:** Seminars run by MIGR are outlined at: [http://intranet.monash.edu.au/migr/seminars/index.html](http://intranet.monash.edu.au/migr/seminars/index.html)

3. **Monash Postgraduate Association (MPA) programs:** Seminars run by MPA are outlined at: [http://mpa.monash.edu.au/seminars-&-social/index.html](http://mpa.monash.edu.au/seminars-&-social/index.html)

4. **University of Melbourne School of Graduate Research programs:** Monash postgraduates can attend seminars in the program of workshops and seminars for University of Melbourne graduate research students. Details of the program and of how to register are outlined at: [http://gradresearch.unimelb.edu.au/programs/upskills/index.html](http://gradresearch.unimelb.edu.au/programs/upskills/index.html)

2. **Online Monash Programs**


Example podcasts: Organising a postgrad conference; Confirmation of candidature; Effective PowerPoint Presentations and International Postgrads.

Resources on Designing research projects; Developing hypotheses and academic arguments; and Developing an academic writing style. Comprehensive list of useful references and links to excellent online resources.

3. Other Useful References

1. Conducting research and getting a PhD
Azuma, RT So long and thanks for the PhD! A computer science PhD student’s guide to surviving graduate school. Everything he wishes he had known when he started out. Useful for Engineering students with humour added and the wisdom of hindsight. Available at: http://www.cs.unc.edu/~azuma/hitch4.html

2. Writing an Engineering thesis

3. Writing Engineering Research Papers

4. References for Visual Communication of Science and Engineering
5. Blogs with good resources for HDR students
   2. The Three Month Thesis at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZHdZRPDVgt8

6. Research Writing for non-native speakers of English


7. English Grammar

   Online Grammar resources

   1. Excellent online resources for help with academic style and grammar: Academic Writing in English: available at http://sana.tkk.fi/awe/

   2. Purdue University Online Writing Lab https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/section/1/5/


   Books


4. Spoken English skills for Non-native Speakers of English

1. Short course in the Engineering Faculty program

*Developing your academic speaking* is held regularly. Details of courses are provided at: [http://www.eng.monash.edu.au/current-students/lls.html](http://www.eng.monash.edu.au/current-students/lls.html)

2. Excellent online resources for developing your pronunciation:

1. **Improving pronunciation for academic presentations**: University of Technology Sydney.

2. **Producing the sounds of English**: BBC Learning English: Pronunciation tips
   [http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/grammar/pron/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/grammar/pron/)

3. **Talk about English: Better speaking**: BBC Learning English. *Better Speaking* is all about how you can become a fluent, confident speaker of English.

4. **A free online Talking Dictionary of English Pronunciation**

3. **Software programs on academic listening and speaking available on computers at Monash University libraries**:

   EASE Learning Tools are programs designed to help you improve your academic listening and speaking skills. Ask at the library information desk.

4. **Many suggestions for improving your speaking on the Monash University Vacation English site**: