

# Thesis/Dissertation **BOOT CAMP**

January 11-15, 2016 • 9AM - 5PM • CITL (Speare) • COMM 580: Thesis Boot Camp

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## What is Boot Camp?

Thesis & Dissertation Boot Camp is an opportunity to get a head start on your thesis or dissertation. The focus of Boot Camp is to provide a distraction-free space in which grad students can spend 5 to 6 hours per day writing their theses. It's a combination of a quality work space, readily available writing advice, and peer resources. It's also a great place for both native and non-native speakers of English to get feedback on their writing!

**IMPORTANT:** Boot Camp is now a 1-credit class for which you must register on Banweb! You will find the course listing for the Winter Break 2016 Boot Camp (Jan 11-15) under the **Spring 2016** course listings. Below is a list of steps to follow when registering for Boot Camp. If you have any questions about this process, please contact Dr. Steve Simpson (ssimpson@nmt.edu) or visit 103/104 Fitch Hall.

## How do I register for Boot Camp?

1. Talk to your advisor about whether you are ready to start writing your thesis.
2. Email Dr. Simpson (ssimpson@nmt.edu) with questions about Boot Camp.
3. Complete the **Instructor Permission Form** (attached) during the Fall semester.
4. Bring the Instructor Permission form to Dr. Simpson (104 Fitch) for a signature and then submit to the registrar's office (beginning December 1).
5. Register for COMM 580: Boot Camp on Banweb.
6. Complete the **Boot Camp Writing Plan** (attached) and submit to Dr. Simpson (in person or by email) no later than **Friday, December 11**.

**Writing and Oral Presentation Center**

017 & 018 Fitch Hall

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<http://infohost.nmt.edu/~class/>

## NEW MEXICO TECH – Instructor Permission Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Semester \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_  
(Last) (First)  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby give my **permission** for the above student to enroll in:

<u>Course Ref. Num.</u>	<u>Dept. Name &amp; Course #</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>
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### Reason for **Override**

Class at maximum enrollment \_\_\_\_\_  
(Instructor Signature & Date)

Instructor approval needed \_\_\_\_\_  
(Instructor Signature & Date)

Time Conflict \_\_\_\_\_  
(Instructor Signature & Date)

**\*\*\* THIS FORM WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AS A PRE-REQUISITE /CO-REQUISITE WAIVER FORM\*\*\***  
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1. Complete this form *the semester before* attending Boot Camp.
2. Bring to Dr. Simpson (103/104 Fitch) for a signature.
3. Submit to the registrar's office.

Pre-registration for Spring 2016 begins December 1.

Please contact Dr. Simpson (ssimpson@nmt.edu) with any questions.

# Boot Camp Writing Plan

Please complete *with your advisor* and return to Dr.Simpson in person (103/104 Fitch) or by email (ssimpson@nmt.edu) no later than **Friday, December 11.**

Student name:

Department:

Email:

Advisor name:

1. Provide a brief description of your thesis/dissertation project.

2. What is your target completion/graduation date? In what ways do you believe that Boot Camp will help you, and what do you hope to accomplish?

3. (*For advisors*) In what ways do you feel that your advisee will benefit from Boot Camp?

# Boot Camp Writing Plan

4. With your advisor, create a plan for what part of your thesis and dissertation you will complete during Boot Camp. You should plan to have approximately 5-6 hours of writing time a day. Describe your plan in the space provided or attach a separate document.