



CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

THE POLITICS AND PRACTICE OF WRITING FOR COMMUNITY ECONOMIES

COMMUNITY ECONOMIES INSTITUTE (CEI) ONLINE WRITING WORKSHOPS

June 2026 (for Africa, Asia-Pacific & Europe)

November/December 2026 (for the Americas & Asia-Pacific)

What are our goals in writing about Community Economies?

What motivates each piece of writing?

What strategies can we draw on to clarify what we want to say?

How do we reach—and excite—our readers?

How do we develop our voice as a writer?

Writing can be daunting. But there are strategies for developing the arts and crafts of writing. This helps build the foundation for embracing writing as a form of joyful problem-solving.

Writing can also feel disconnected from what matters. But there are ways to approach writing as a form of politics and a means of contributing to change in this world.

The Politics and Practice of Writing for Community Economies is an online workshop that focuses on practical writing tools and reflects on the work that our can writing do.

Overview

Participants have to be post-PhD and have an early draft of an article or book chapter or book. The workshop is also suitable for those doing policy and other forms of non-academic writing.

The workshop runs over three weeks, with three 3-hour sessions each week (see next page for details). There is a small amount of reading as preparation for the workshop, and a small amount of homework each week. Participants also have a one-hour one-on-one meeting with one of the instructors.

There is a maximum of 10 participants in each workshop. The instructors are [Dr Jenny Cameron](#) and [Emeritus Professor Katherine Gibson](#), co-chairs of the [Community Economies Institute](#).

Fee: \$1,000 Australian Dollars (currently around €585 and US\$688). Some partial scholarships are available.



Topics covered include

- What is an author's motivation?
- What are the affects of how we think and write?
- Writing as scripting
- Honing our points
- Crafting an argument
- Starting and ending a piece of work

What participants from previous workshops say

- This workshop is the most practical and helpful (and motivating) course I have done in all my 10 years at University. I feel more optimistic about publishing from my thesis now.
- I value being introduced to principles I can easily use/apply to my own writing life. I now have a guide to help me clarify what I am really trying to communicate. I look forward to returning to my writing and using the tools you have equipped me with.
- I've gained a greater understanding of how readers perceive my writing and where I was making things difficult for them. I will now consider and state the point of each section and paragraph, and use my sentences to carry the point.
- When I started this workshop, I didn't have any guidelines for presenting written material that was clear, succinct, flowing and maintained the arc of an argument. On reflecting on what I have written recently, I now understand why my readers were unclear about what I was trying to say. These readers even edited out what I thought were the most important parts of the text! I now have strategies for clarifying what I am trying to say and communicating this to my readers (and my reviewers!).

June Workshop

Ideal time for Africa, Asia-Pacific and Europe. You must be able to attend every session.

Aotearoa NZ	Canberra	Bangkok	Tashkent	Rome	London
6 to 9pm	4 to 7pm	1 to 4pm	11am to 2pm	8 to 11am	7 to 10am

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Week 1 Weds 3 June; Thursday 4 June; Friday 5 June
Week 2 Weds 10 June; Thursday 11 June; Friday 12 June
Week 3 Weds 17 June; Thursday 18 June; Friday 19 June

Nov-Dec Workshop

Ideal time for the Americas and Asia-Pacific. You must be able to attend every session.

Asia-Pacific			Americas (one day behind Asia-Pacific times)		
Aotearoa NZ	Canberra	Tokyo	Buenos Aires	New York	Vancouver
11am to 2pm	9am to midday	7 to 10am	7 to 10 pm	5 to 8pm	2 to 5pm

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Week 1 Asia-Pacific Tuesday 17 Nov; Weds 18 Nov; Thursday 19 Nov
Americas Monday 16 Nov; Tuesday 17 Nov; Weds 18 Nov
Week 2 Asia-Pacific Tuesday 1 Dec; Weds 2 Dec; Thursday 3 Dec
Americas Monday 30 Nov; Tuesday 1 Dec; Weds 2 Dec
Week 3 Asia-Pacific Tuesday 15 Dec; Weds 16 Dec; Thursday 17 Dec
Americas Monday 14 Dec; Tuesday 15 Dec; Weds 16 Dec

This takes into account Thanksgiving, Week of 23 Nov; and combined NZGS/IAG conference, Week of 7 Dec.

**Expressions of Interest and Qs to info at communityeconomies.org
Round 1 Deadline: 27 Feb. (June Workshop); 27 March (Nov-Dec Workshop)**