Section 7: Editorial Style

VSU Writing Guide

The VSU Writing Guide — based on the Associated Press Stylebook — is an online reference source for Valdosta State University faculty, staff and students as they write documents for external audiences. Such documents include departmental newsletters, major internal communications, website content and promotional brochures.

We strongly encourage university faculty and staff to familiarize themselves with these guidelines — many of them university-related usages — so that the university community presents a consistent standard of writing that appropriately reflects VSU’s commitment to excellence. The guide and grammar resources do not include field-specific writing, and therefore, are not intended to replace writing standards for specific publications or purposes, including academic papers. Specialists within departments are better authorities on such matters.

The guide is located here: http://www.valdosta.edu/communications/styleguide/index.shtml

Direct questions or comments about this style guide to the Office of Communications at (229) 333-7177 / 2163 http://www.valdosta.edu/administration/communications/communications-staff.php

Additional Resources

VSU Quick Reference Guide
http://www.valdosta.edu/communications/styleguide/referenceguide.shtml

University of Georgia Editorial Style Guide
http://www.uga.edu/styleguide/

Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary
http://www.merriam-webster.com/

Online Thesaurus
http://thesaurus.com/

University System of Georgia Policies & Procedures
http://www.usg.edu/policies/