Synopsis

The classic guide for master's and doctoral students—"newly revised and updated! Used in its first two editions by tens of thousands of students, this practical book demystifies the process of writing your master’s thesis or doctoral dissertation, taking you through the process one step at a time. Newly revised and updated, this book provides specific models and examples that will guide you through: Laying the groundwork for the thesis or dissertation Organizing and scheduling your work Collaborating with peers Using technology Solving problems throughout the dissertation process

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This is a fantastic book for writing a dissertation. While the subject matter doesn’t quite match the syllabus in my course, it does have most of the material in it. Let’s face it, a course on the methodology of writing a dissertation is bo-o-o-o-o-o-oring, but at least there are some good books out there on the subject. This is one of them, and the price is fantastic. I recommend this book highly for anyone working on a dissertation. I think it’s a bit beyond the master’s level when one considers some of the work that goes into a dissertation. My master’s thesis was a big, long, well thought out and highly technical piece of work, but I don’t think that one book can really, fairly cover both a thesis and a dissertation. It’s got to lean more in one direction or the other, and I think that this book leans in the direction of writing a dissertation more than a thesis. It certainly would not hurt to own this book if one is writing a master’s thesis, but I do believe it’s more for the dissertation...
writer than the thesis writer. Just my opinion, but I'm also a writer and a high school English teacher as well as a therapist, and all my different "hats" agree that this leans heavily in the direction of the person working on a PhD, not an MA, or MS. Great book!

I found this book to be less than helpful as a student of History. The research methods described in the book are geared towards a masters/doctoral degree in education, and while I see where the methods described would be helpful in sociology, psychology or perhaps poli-sci, I found it ignored the issues of a thesis that will depend almost entirely on research in a library and less with surveys and tests. Really, how does one test Gettysburg or Agincourt?

I can't compare it to other books on the same subject, but it is very helpful. I do understand the purpose of a dissertation and how to get started. It's loaded with resources of where to go to find topics, journals, articles, studies. ETC. Thanks

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This book is amazingly helpful. It's simplistic, step-by-step guide makes the "monster" of the dissertation seem like a feasible task. I am using this book every step of the way!

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