**Publishing for Graduate Students**

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K recommends the book *Writing Your Journal Article in Twelve Weeks* by Wendy Laura Belcher

J recommends *Getting it Published* by William Germano

K – If a prof tells you something is publishable, then publish. They aren’t saying this just to be nice. However, don’t let it distract from dissertation. If you’ve written a chapter, look back and see if an article can come from it.

J – Sitting on search committees, more and more applicants have publications. However, it can be a tiny one; just need it to provide evidence that you can publish and be a scholar.

K – When it comes to publishing, journal article is king.

J – Lower-rung publications (book reviews, encyclopedia entries, etc.) keep you in the academic conversation and can get you invites to participate in panels/conferences and such.

J – Journal article allows you to make a bolder argument than a book.

K – Least successful articles meander and don’t stay focused on central argument. Aim for efficiency; good journal article should be 6,000-7,000 words.

J – Key for journal articles is organization. Also, do not write alone. Get feedback, and not always from the same person. Go to multiple people for input.

K – Write at least 15-20 minutes a day.

J – A good writing tip is to edit other people’s work.

J – If someone tells you to publish a piece, get their advice on what exactly needs addressed/fixed before you publish it.

K – Turning a seminar paper that you want to publish into a conference paper is a good idea. Will help you see what the paper wants to do.

K – Give a different title to journal article and conference paper.