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EAP Tutor

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### About

I have been teaching English at the University of Birmingham since 1999. I have taught EAP, ESAP and Business English on preessional and insessional courses and had stints as insessional coordinator and assessment coordinator.

### Qualifications

- Master of Linguistics & Literature: English & Dutch (KUL, Louvain, Belgium)
- Masters in Modern European Studies (London Metropolitan)
- Postgraduate Teaching Qualification (KUL, Louvain), leading to QTS
- Cambridge DELTA
- Certificate in Teaching English for Business (London Chamber of Commerce and Industry)

### Biography

My previous work experience has also centred mostly around languages: teaching, translating, editing, examining, devising exams (Institute of Linguists), writing language courses and teacher training.

### Teaching

I have recently taught on the following EISU programmes:

- BME preessional course
- EAP1 preessional course
- Insessional classes

### Other activities

#### MA supervision

I started supervising MAs in English Language Studies in 2013.

#### Conference presentations

- 2013 University Graduate School (Writing Summer School): Structuring the thesis - what story does your research tell?
- 2012 EALTA, Innsbruck: Developing a 'quick and effective' tool for identifying deficit in academic writing skills for university students. (co-presented with Jonathan Rees)
- 2011 Centre for Advanced Research in English and Centre for Corpus Research joint symposium:
- Can we teach students how to argue? Examples from 'The Birmingham Briefs', A Corpus of Semi-Academic Professional Writing.
- 2011 Teaching and Learning Conference: What do our students really want to know about the use of English? Insights from a pilot Q&A e-mail service for international students.
- 2010 BALEAP PIM, Newcastle: Non-compulsory 'open access' classes: motivation and retention.
- 2010 Writing development in Higher Education, London: Research into Practice: A Model for Sustainable Writing Development (co-presented with Suganthi John).

#### Journal articles

- I am a reviewer for the peer reviewed English Language Research Journal.
- I was an editor for the Birmingham Journal for Europe.

#### Current research

I am currently working part-time and pursuing a PhD in English. The provisional title is: 'Guiding students towards better academic essays: an investigation into the role of syntax in the argumentational skills of expert and non-expert writers'

### Publications

#### Books

- Van Geyte, E. (2013). *Writing: Learn to Write Better Academic Essays*. London: Collins.
- Van Geyte, E. (2012). *Get Ready for IELTS Reading*. London: Collins.
- Van Geyte, E. (2011). *Reading for IELTS*. London: Collins.

#### Book Reviews

- Van Geyte, E. (2011). Book Review of 'New Fast Class for First Certificate' by K. Gude (Oxford: OUP, 2010). BALEAP website.

#### Audio Courses

- Van Geyte, E. and Adkins-de Jong, C. (2012). *Perfect Dutch*. London: Hodder Education.
- Van Geyte, E. and Adkins-de Jong, C. (2011). *Total Dutch*. London: Hodder Education.
- Van Geyte, E. and Adkins-de Jong, C. (2011). *Start Dutch*. London: Hodder Education.

#### Apps

- Van Geyte, E. (2012) and Adkins-de Jong, C. (2012). *Michel Thomas: Dutch*. London: Hachette UK.

