

Publish Without Perishing: From Thesis to Monograph

The aim of this talk is to offer some guidance, prompts and resources on how to transform a PhD thesis in English Studies into a published monograph. In the first part, I will address general questions: what exactly is a monograph, what place do monographs hold in our academic field, when and how to start planning for your book. In the second part, I will introduce the notion of the publication proposal and use some publishers' templates to comment upon key elements of a proposal, and how to successfully complete it. The third part of my talk will focus on the monograph itself, by pointing to key aspects that make it different from the PhD thesis format, and considering the editing process involved in transforming it into a book. Finally, we will look at some useful resources on academic writing, specifically related to the monograph format.