

What is “academic writing”?

A brief overview

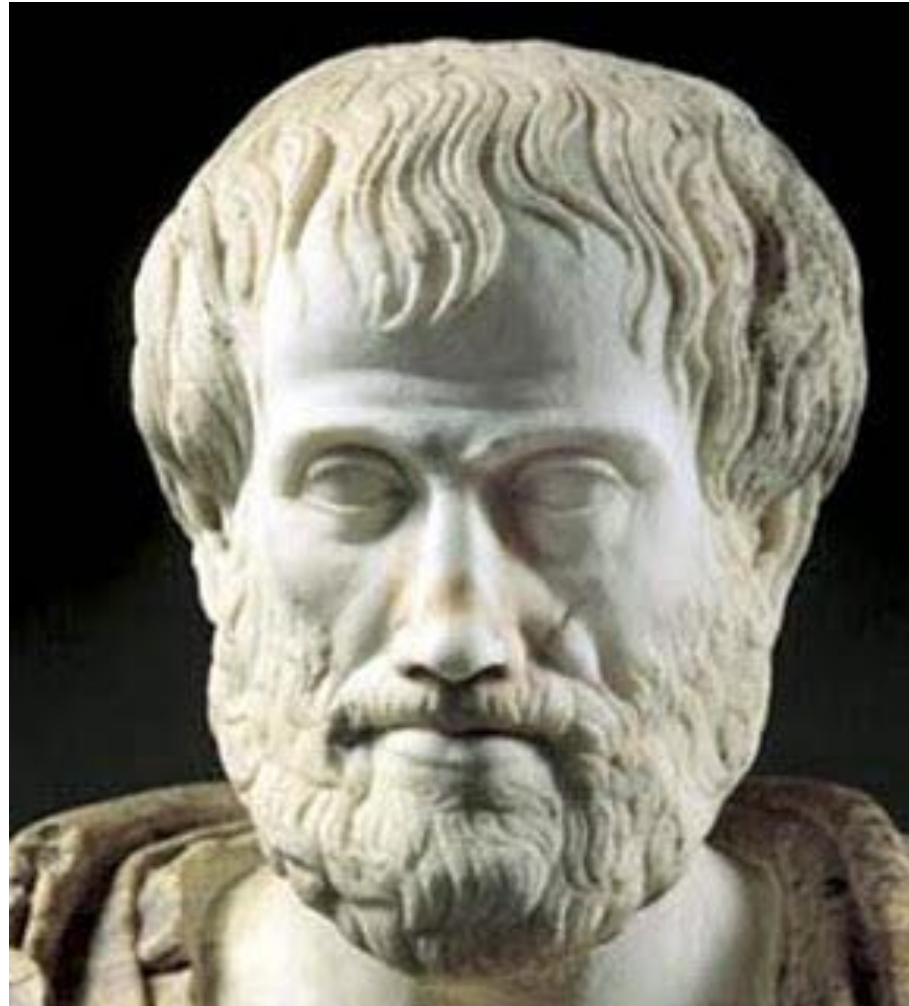
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- There are 2 parts to this history
 1. Goes back all the way to the Ancient Greeks and to A_____
 1. Especially to something called the “trivium”
 2. The other goes back to the “Scien_____”
Re_____” in the Middle Ages

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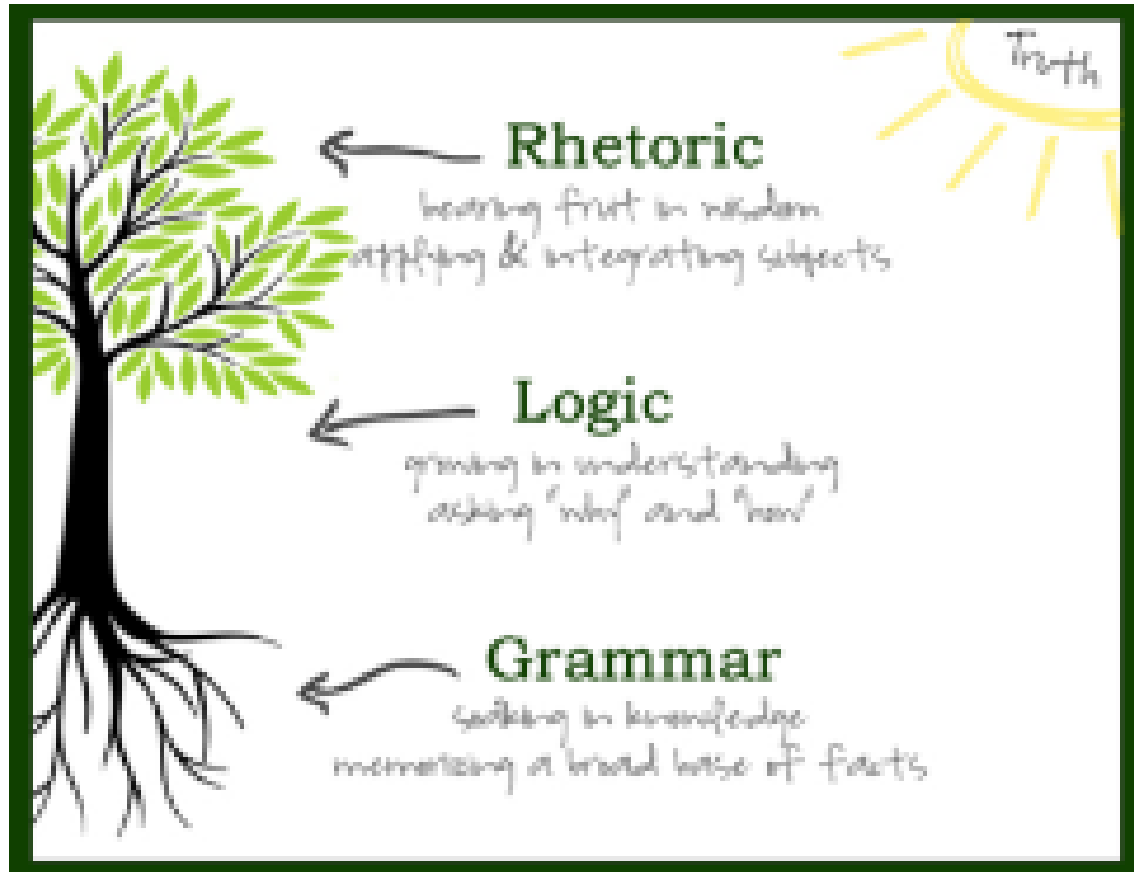
- Origin of the word “academic”?





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2. The Trivium



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The trivium

1. Grammar - _____ use of language
2. Logic - _____ thinking
3. Rhetoric - effective _____

Grammar, logic and rhetoric make up the art of

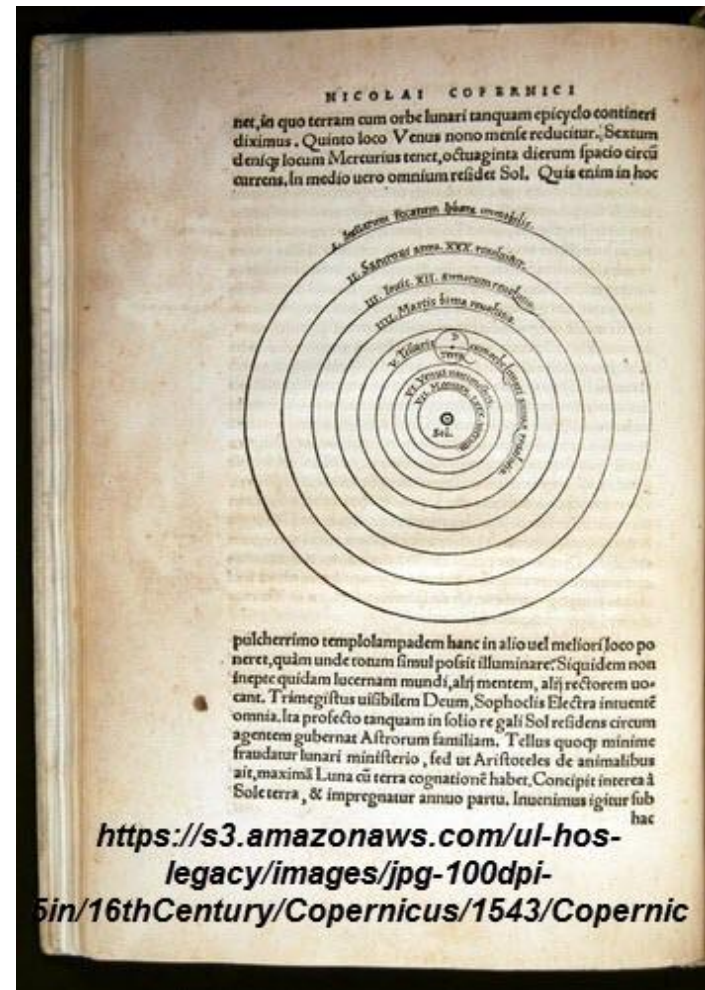
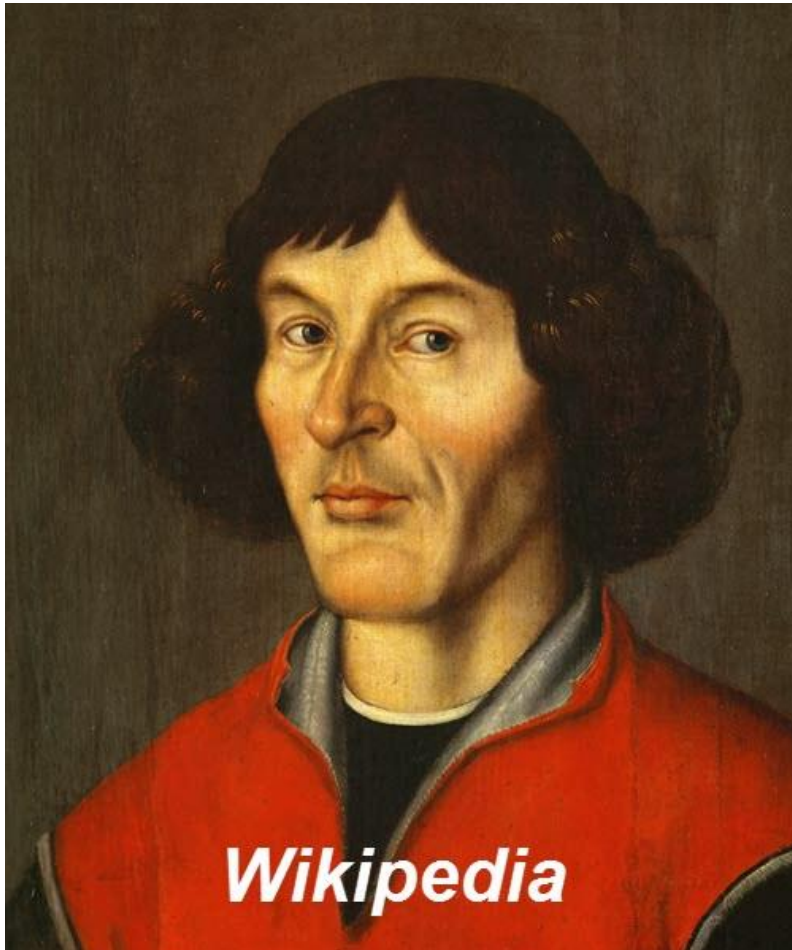
Liberal Arts

- AFTER studying the trivium, students studied the quadrivium.
- Quadrivium is
 - Arith_____
 - Mu_____
 - Geom_____
 - Astro_____
- The trivium and quadrivium together make up the liberal arts.

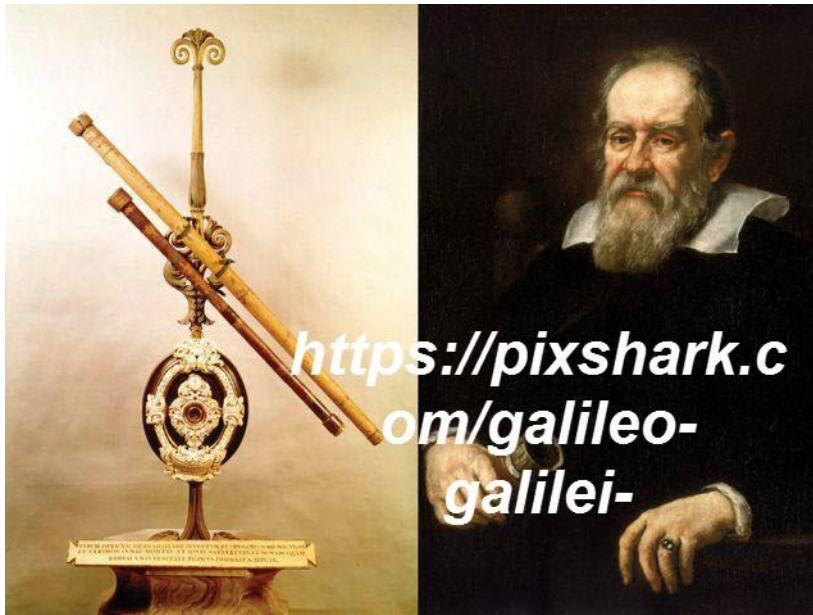
The Scientific Revolution (1)

- Began c. 1540
- Causes:
 - The Renaissance
 - Uni_____
 - Questioning of _____

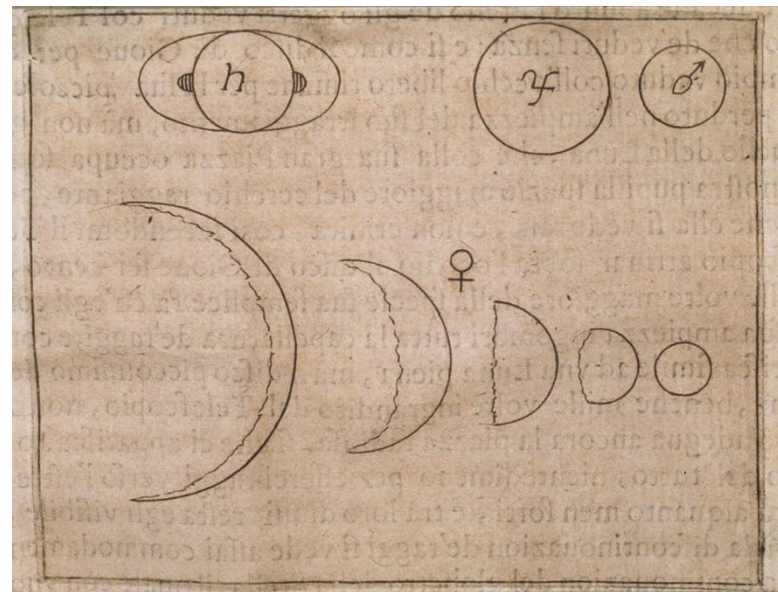
The Scientific Revolution (2)



"Philosophy is written in this grand book, the universe ... It is written in the language of _____, and its characters are triangles, circles, and other geometric figures;...." (*The Assayer (Italian: Il Saggiatore)*, 1623.)



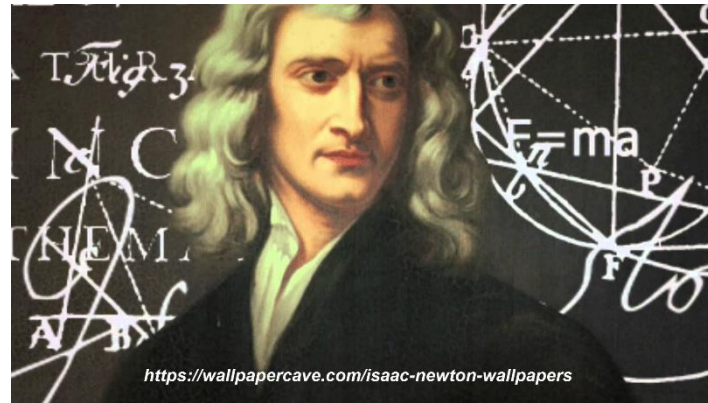
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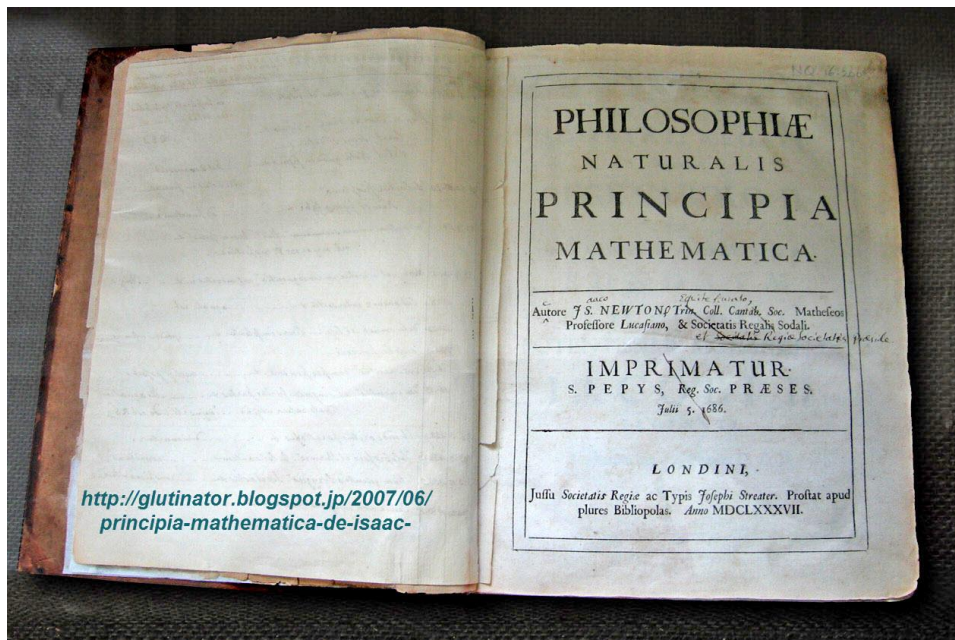
The Scientific Revolution (4)

“If I have seen further than others, it is by standing on the shoulders of _____.”



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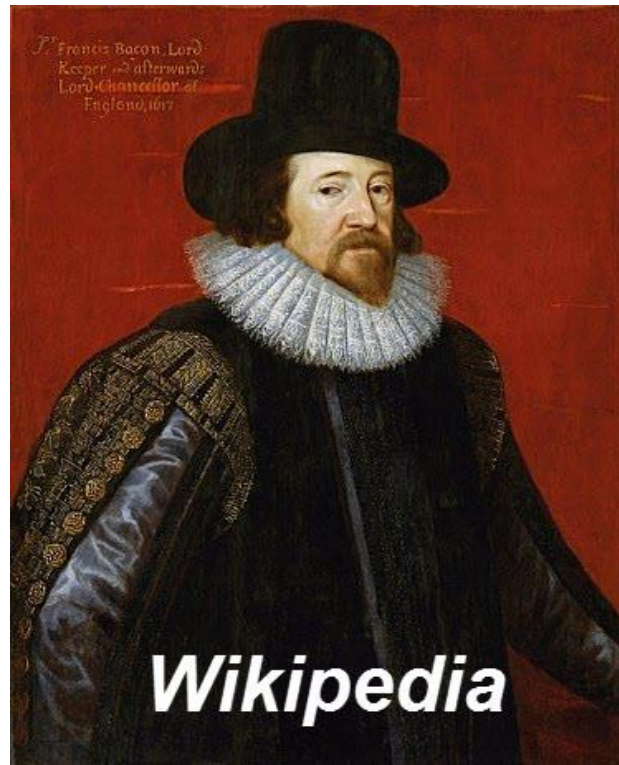
“To every _____,
there is an equal
and opposite
_____.”



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“Truth is ever to be found in _____, and not in the multiplicity and confusion of things.”

The Scientific Revolution (5)



The father of empiricism

So, what is academic writing?

- Purpose
 - To _____ human understanding and knowledge of human existence and the world we live in
 - To _____ human understanding and knowledge by
 - Correcting incorrect knowledge
 - Questioning things that “everybody knows”
 - Sharing (publishing) research results so that others can discuss, check, verify and prove or disprove

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