**Politics Skills Development Lectures**

TheSkills Development Lectureshave been created to provide materials to Political Studies course convenors to use during the '4th Lecture'. The lectures focus on developing academic skills, such as writing a research essay or building an argument, and are structured so that course content can be added to the lectures to make them more relevant to students.

The lecture topics are organised into folders under 'Skills Development Lecture Materials'. It is up to the course convenor to choose which topics they find suitable for their particular class. Each lecture has two files: a PowerPoint**™** slide to be shown to the class and a Word document with notes for the lecturer. In each file, comments have been added where content needs to be changed to make it relevant to the course.

Feedback on these lectures in encouraged and needed. Please email Shawn.Duthie@uct.ac.za with any comments you have on the lectures.

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