

Dr Wehan M. Coombs

TUTOR · EDITOR · LEARNING DESIGNER · CONSULTANT

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Pretoria East · in person or online

Profile

Philosopher and English teacher with a PhD and 15 years of university teaching experience. I help students read closely, think clearly and write well; I design the study guides, readers and web tools that support that work; and I help schools and teams work out what good, human education looks like in the age of AI.

Services

Tutoring and TEFL

- High school English (Grades 10 to 12, Home Language and First Additional Language), including literature, poetry and essay writing
- University philosophy and academic writing at any level: structure, argument and referencing
- Online English lessons for non-native speakers, backed by a 120-hour TESOL/TEFL certificate

Editing and writing support

- Editing and proofreading of essays, theses and academic writing
- Structural feedback on arguments and drafts, drawing on years of marking and commenting on undergraduate and honours essays
- Writing and editing study guides, readers and course materials

Learning design and tools

- Course and module design, from outcomes and reading lists to assessments
- Rubrics, marking tools and practice apps built as simple, standalone web apps
- Online lecture production: live-streamed, recorded lectures with good audio and video

Philosophical and AI consulting

- What to do about AI in a classroom, a course or a company: talks, workshops and a written brief you can act on
- One-to-one philosophical counselling for a question in your own life

Qualifications

PhD in Philosophy
University of Pretoria, 2023

MA in Philosophy
UP, 2016, cum laude

BA: English Literature and Philosophy
UP, 2010

PGCE (FET Phase)
UP, in progress

TESOL/TEFL Certificate
120 hours, 2026

Languages
English (home language), Afrikaans

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Experience

University of Pretoria 2010 – 2026

Tutor, Assistant Lecturer and Head Lecturer, Department of Philosophy

- Taught undergraduate and honours modules, including first-year classes of more than 500 students
- Designed four modules from scratch and partly redesigned a fifth, writing their study guides and co-compiling a custom reader
- Marked and gave written feedback on thousands of essays and exams, and trained tutor teams to do the same
- Taught live online and hybrid classes on ClickUP and Blackboard

Digital PR writer 2026 –

Freelance, for a digital marketing agency

- Writing digital PR campaign content

High school English teaching 2026

PGCE practicums, Abbotts College Pretoria East and Hoërskool Garsfontein

- Taught Grade 10 and 11 English Home Language and First Additional Language, including *Macbeth* and *The Tempest*
- Mentor assessment: 95/100, with full marks for classroom competencies

University of Johannesburg 2024 – 2026

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Strengths

Clear, patient explanation · Close reading and argument · Detailed, constructive feedback · Course and materials design · Online teaching · Reliable deadlines

Full resume

My full teaching history, course materials, research and student evaluations.
Open the full resume online

References

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