

ACADEMIC WRITING 5 ECTS, spring 2019

The course is designed primarily for staff members participating in Doctorate Accelerator. However, the course is also open for employees of Turku University of Applied Sciences and Satakunta University of Applied Sciences. The course is also included in the course selection of the Open UAS.

The course is aimed at those who are writing a scientific manuscript. During the course, the participants will write an article, preferably in English. The training is arranged in accordance with the agreement with Polytechnic University of Valencia and can be recognized as part of doctoral studies. Staff members do not have to pay the Open UAS fee.

The participants will bring their **own laptops** for seminars. The learning platform is Optima.

7 February at 12.30–15.30 Kick-off Seminar I (Sini Eloranta, Kaisa Sorsa and Eija Suikkanen)

How to start academic writing; where and how to publish an article

- Preliminary assignment and going through it
- Deliberate beforehand the contents, viewpoint and language (English/Finnish) of the manuscript you work on
 - Determine a schedule and objectives for working on the manuscript
 - Find a journal for submitting your manuscript – copy the author's instruction by the journal and bring them with you for the first session

12 February at 12.30–15.30 Information Seeking and Reference Management (Eija Suikkanen)

- Information searching – tools and resources
- TUAS Finna
 - information resources and how to access them

15 February at 12.30–15.30 Information Seeking and Reference Management (Eija Suikkanen)

- Systematic information searching
- information search as a process
 - defining topics, conceptualizing
 - search terms, subject terms
 - search strategies, combining search terms, Boolean operators

28 February at 12.30–15.30 Quality and Visibility of Publications (Eija Suikkanen)

- Quality of scientific publications, publications as a part of the government funding allocation
- Quality assessment of publications
 - Open access publishing
 - Collecting publications information statistics
 - Affiliations

- Research and researcher visibility and impact
- Open repository and self-archiving
 - Sharing networks for researchers
 - Researcher identifiers (e.g. ORCID)

7 March at 12.30–15.30 Article Seminar II (Sini Eloranta and Kaisa Sorsa)

- Research and publication ethical issues
- The structure of a good scientific article
- Working on the manuscript

13 March at 12.30–15.30 Support for Writing in English (Poppy Skarli)


Discussion and questions on the basis of examples and the texts by the participants.

4 April at 12.30–15.30 Article Seminar III (Sini Eloranta and Kaisa Sorsa)

- The first draft of the article manuscript ready, presentations, peer evaluations
- I publish, therefore I am – experiences and observations of the difficulty and beauty of publishing (Harri Jalonen, 1h)

7 May at 12.30–15.30 Article Seminar IV (Sini Eloranta and Kaisa Sorsa)

Articles finished, presentations

The course will take place at 
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