

## Academic Writing

### Continuous course held by Karolin Halmi-Samel

In this course for international doctoral candidates and guest researcher a number of scientists from different departments come together and work on their academic writing skills. The class focuses on vocabulary, style and structure of academic texts.

The participants polish short pieces of individual writing in small groups and also take part in workshops such as „Basic Rules of Academic Writing“ or „How to Write an Abstract“. The course is tailored to the individual needs and questions of the participants. All students can work on their specific research topics and discuss their writing within an international and interdisciplinary group.

#### Course Format

Over a period of six months the students meet on a two-weekly or monthly basis, Wednesdays between 9:00 to 12:15am, to improve their writing skills in 90 minute units. Specific language topics alternate with discussions and analysis of individual writing samples in small groups.



#### Organiser

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#### Organisational Hints

New classes will start on October 19, 2016

The course is open for IGS and Erasmus Mundus doctoral candidates as well as for doctoral candidates of LogDynamics and the Erasmus Mundus exchange students. Please, register for the course by sending an email to [courses@IGS.LogDynamics.de](mailto:courses@IGS.LogDynamics.de)

Deadline: **12.10.2016**

#### Ongoing Courses of the IGS:

'Voice Development', course with monthly training in very small groups on improving the pronunciation.

'Tools for the Craft of Research', workshop series on how to start and be successful with research projects. Target groups are Erasmus Mundus students and new doctoral candidates of the IGS.

'The Art of Presenting Yourself', workshop with the aim of improving the participants' appearance and performance in future presentations.

The **International Graduate School for Dynamics in Logistics (IGS)** at the University of Bremen offers the opportunity to complete an efficient, structured doctoral training program. The IGS pursues an interdisciplinary and cross-cultural approach to higher education.

The IGS is part of *LogDynamics* which builds a cooperating network of research groups originated from four faculties of the University of Bremen: Production Engineering, Business Studies/ Economics, Mathematics/Computer Science, Physics/Electrical engineering.

Founded on specifications by supervisors or requirements by doctoral candidates, innovative complementary qualification measures have been developed, tested, evaluated and optimised. These explicitly include internationality, interdisciplinarity and the demands of the research area logistics.

The IGS offers different individual, interdisciplinary courses. Every course has one of two formats: either an *ongoing course* where a course *unit* takes place once every two weeks in an *organisational period* of approximately six months, or a *workshop* running from half a day up to two days.

A course is structured into *classes* of typically five students (ongoing course) or twelve students (workshop).

Key qualifications can only be trained by repeated practical experience; thus the IGS ensures continuity of several of these measures to improve transferable skills.



## Terms and Conditions of IGS Courses

Any registration for a course offered by the IGS is binding after you receive a confirmation for your application. You are expected to attend class without exception. If you cannot attend a specific class, please inform your group, the lecturer and the organiser in time, i.e. at least two days before the appointed date. If the participants do not observe this rule and the lecturer does not have any participants for a class, the group has to pay for the wasted time and money.

If you generally cannot attend class anymore or if you want to entirely cancel your participation in a course, please inform the organiser in time. The IGS will offer your place to someone else.

Please, be aware that the entries in the IGS calendar are always up-to-date and binding. You will receive access to the calendar after registration for a course.

After any course, we will ask you for an evaluation. Please, fill in the evaluation sheet in time and return it to our main communication channel.

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## Comments from previous participants

'Discussing upcoming publications with scientists from other fields is a very insightful experience. The course helps to gather information regarding the understandability of technical terminology and the overall argumentation of a paper. Exchanging knowledge with peers and learning from Karolin's experience had a huge influence on my writing skills. And additionally, it was fun.'

'There is not just practice but also a lot of theories about English academic writing. Academic words which are more suitable for research papers.'