

Improving a Draft Research Paper

Workshop series given by Dr. Renate Klempien-Hinrichs

This is the advanced course of the workshop series "Tools for the Craft of Research". It builds on the experience gained during the introductory course and focuses on how to improve a draft research paper in order to make it ready to be published. We will work on the texts that the participants provide, assisting everyone to revise their draft paper with respect to contents, structure, citations, language, style, and form. The topics treated range from paragraph writing and other rhetorical patterns, over how to detect and correct one's own most frequent English mistakes, to judging the quality of publications both for selecting cited references and choosing a place (e.g. a journal) for publication of one's own work. Concerning the process of writing, differences in time sense and various writing strategies are discussed, so that the participants may become aware of their own preferences and try out less familiar techniques. At the end of the course, participants will know how to finish their paper so that it can be submitted for publication or to the faculty's doctoral commission.

Throughout the course, the participants try out discipline-independent research methods in the specific context of their research projects, as well as techniques to organise their research in a manner well suiting their projects and personalities. Furthermore, during the course different views related to research disciplines or cultures may emerge, and the issues are then reflected and compared with the German research culture. In particular, the fundamental rules for good scientific practice are discussed.

Course Format

The course starts following *Part 1: From a Research Idea to a Draft Paper*. It is organised in mini-workshops, work in small groups, and some individual coaching, broken down into units of typically two hours, plus homework.

Dr. Renate Klempien-Hinrichs is a theoretical computer scientist with a doctoral degree from the University of Bremen. She has taught several courses in the area of theoretical computer science. In 2004 she began to develop workshops on how to start writing a scientific thesis. The concept for the present course program is influenced by her experiences in writing and reviewing scientific publications, reporting on diploma and doctoral theses in computer science, and supervising German and international students' diploma theses.

Organizational Hints

The course starts on November 11, 2019. It takes place on Mondays from 2:00 pm.

The courses are open for IGS fellows as well as for doctoral candidates of LogDynamics. Please, register for the course by sending an email to courses@IGS.LogDynamics.de

Deadline: September 1, 2019



Comments from participants

"I like the discussion part in small group and time management."

"The contents of the course are based on what students need by asking students what they face during the previous week."

"Ideas for free writing were also impressive. I never thought of that before."



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