

Voice Development

Continuous course given by Almut Druener

A well developed speaking voice is an important asset in oral communication. Moreover, in an environment where people with different first languages meet to communicate in one specific language (such as English at the IGS and at most scientists' international meetings), often cultural particularities in the pronunciation of this common language may cause difficulties in understanding each other.

In this course students get the opportunity to improve their English pronunciation with the help of a speech therapist. The program starts with an introduction into how pronunciation works and which structures and functions are involved.

Furthermore, every participant is asked to teach the other ones the pronunciation of his/her name, so that everyone becomes aware of the diversity, difficulty and beauty of the sounds of different languages. A recording of every new participant reading a short text will help to develop an individual training program and provides the opportunity for a comparison with the outcome.



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Course Format

For the training itself two students share a time slot of 40 minutes every two to three weeks on Wednesdays between 3:00 to 5:50pm. Special exercises help to develop new competences which then can be transferred to own texts and spontaneous speech.

Almut Druener: After completing her Master's degree in comparative linguistics she discovered speech therapy as a possibility to bring her knowledge into practice. She specialized in neurological disorders and voice disorders and completed a training as voice coach. Currently she is working in her own speech therapy practice. She has been working as lecturer and supervisor at the Schule für Logopädie and is giving private lessons in voice development.

Organisational Hints

New classes start on October 19, 2016

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

Deadline: **17.10.2016**

Ongoing Courses of the IGS:

'Academic Writing', course with classes twice a month. Training in small groups tailored to the individual needs of the participants.

'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 **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

'I really liked the way the tutor focused on the individual sound by making us read out aloud an article. We also worked on individual sounds that I need to focus on. I appreciated the way she taught me about how to make a particular sound depending on the word.'

'I like the way the course is conducted. i.e. 40 mins for 2 students and individual coaching.'

'I like the special exercises, analysis, and personal evaluation and the awareness about my weak points in English language.'