

**Academic Writing and the Publication Process, 7.5 credits**

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Third-cycle education course

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Department of Behavioural Sciences and Learning

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## Entry requirements

Entry requirement for studies on third-cycle education courses

- second-cycle degree,
- 240 credits in required courses, including at least 60 second-cycle credits,  
or
- acquisition of equivalent knowledge in some other manner

## Specific information

This course is given in English.

## Learning outcomes

By the end of the course the students will be able to:

*Knowledge and understanding*

- Evaluate different publication options

*Competence and skills*

- Write succinct and scholarly papers

- Use academic English in a stylish and appropriate manner

*Judgement and approach*

- Critically analyse their own and others' written work

## Contents

Topics will include:

- Constructing an effective research paper (section by section)
- The peer-review process
- Publication ethics
- Publication options
- Academic English (including tips and exercises)
- Increasing productivity

## Educational methods

Educational methods applied in this course are lectures, seminars, group work and individual tasks. Students are expected to actively participate in discussions.

## **Examination**

Examination tasks are both oral and written, and include active participation in group sessions and seminars (2 hp) and three written assignments (5.5 hp). If an obligatory session is missed, students are required to submit a compensatory written assignment – details will be provided at the start of the course.

Students who fail are offered one re-examination occasion in close connection to the course. After that participation in a coming course examination is offered. The re-examination should be equally comprehensive as the ordinary examination.

### **Change of examiner**

Students who have failed the course or part of the course twice are entitled to request another examiner for the following examination occasion.

## **Grading**

Two-grade scale

## **Course literature**

A list of recommended literature will be provided by the course coordinator at the start of the course.

## **General information**

The course is planned and carried out according to what is stated in this syllabus. Course evaluation, analysis and suggestions for improvement should be fed back to the Research and PhD studies Committee (FUN) by the course coordinator.

If the course is withdrawn or is subject to major changes, examination according to this syllabus is normally offered at three occasions within/in close connection to the two following semesters.

### **Course certificate**

On the student's request, course certificate is issued by the course examiner.