

Information sheet

Who can attend?

- The workshop is meant for students at undergraduate and graduate level who need to write academic papers in English. We will focus on the requirements for coursework in the linguistics department, e.g. long papers, essays and Bachelor theses, but participants from other programs are welcome to attend as well.

What will we do?

- Basics of good writing style
- How to craft a no-nonsense introduction
- Helpful ‘academic’ verbs
- Templates for academic sentences
- Writing scaffolds for you to fill in
- Typical mistakes
- When to cite and how to tie your citations into the thread of the argument
- Using examples of language material in your text
- Tips on writing a literature review
- How to write a conclusion
- In-class writing exercises
- Writing process and writing environment

Do I need to prepare beforehand?

- Please send me a one-page sample of your academic writing in English until 24 September. Your anonymised samples will be used in class to talk about common mistakes
- Feel free to bring your current projects to the workshop – you can get feedback on them and do the writing exercises to work towards the submission!
- Have a look at the Linguistics Stylesheet (available at the departmental website). We will not go into the subtleties of formal citation, but you can ask questions if you have any
- Bring cookies for a sugar kick!