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Writing and Publishing a Scientific Paper

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Description

Writing and publishing a scientific paper is a NIH-based practical course on scientific writing in biomedical disciplines, with a focus on - but not limited to - public health and epidemiology. The course combines theory and practice, guiding participants to work individually on crafting their manuscript step by step, with peer-to-peer feedback and group discussions throughout.

Objectives

The main goal is to equip PhD students with a robust and structured method to conceive, plan, write, submit, revise, and publish peer-reviewed scientific articles.

Prerequisites

There are no strict exclusion criteria, but ideally students can come to the course after the completion of their research project and having completed their main analysis (or secondary analysis of existing data). However, these requisites are not essential, and the results of their study may or not be ready, and tables and figures may be still in preparation. In case a student has data available, it is important that the use of the data is approved by relevant parties (i.e. the study / student's P.I., relevant ethics committee).

Dates

7 – 9 June and 11 June 2027

- **7 – 9 June:** Day 1 and 2 and morning of day 3 (on site)
- **11 June:** Morning of day 4 (online)

Eligibility

Open to PhD students of the SSPH+ Inter-university Graduate Campus; other students and external participants are welcome to apply for limited spaces.

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Course Structure

4-day course (2 full days and 2 half days): Lectures are alternated with practical activities and interim assignments. On day 4 of the course, an individual tutoring session is offered.

Assessment

Attainment of learning objectives is assessed on a pass/fail basis, considering students' participation throughout the course, completion of the interim assignments, and the final assignment and quiz.

Credits

2 ECTS

Contact: 25 h, homework: 25 h

(1 ECTS corresponds to appr. 25-30 hours workload)

Location

7 – 9 June: Day 1 and 2 and morning of day 3: Onsite at Università della Svizzera italiana (USI), Lugano, right before the SSPH+ Annual Meeting in Mendrisio

11 June: Morning of day 4: online

Course Fees

	2 ECTS
SSPH+ IGC PhD and MD Students	30 CHF
Postdocs from SSPH+ partner institutes with a SSPH+ Faculty Member as line manager	30 CHF
External PhD students, external MD Students, postdocs from SSPH+ partner institutes without a SSPH+ Faculty Member as line manager and Swiss Public Health Doctors in training	600 CHF
Others	1'600 CHF

Registration

<https://www.conftool.com/ssph-phd-courses2027/>

Deadline for registration

7 May 2027