

## Erasmus+ Course for Higher Education Staff

# Academic Writing Skills

Gain insight into the key elements of 'academic' writing in English, paying attention to style and register, as well as structure and coherence.

### COURSE OUTLINE

The *Academic Writing* course is designed to assist senior professionals and academics in Higher Education institutions who are required to publish material in English. The course deals with language for academic writing, focusing on vocabulary, grammar, register and style. Participants will have a chance to work asynchronously on assignments and receive one-to-one tutor feedback on a piece of academic writing of their choosing.

### COURSE OBJECTIVES

**Overall objectives of the mobility.** To improve written competence in Academic English. To gain writing practice in relation to academic articles, with a view to increasing vocabulary and improving structure, register and style. To give participants' feedback on samples of their own academic writing.

**Added value of the mobility.** The course equips participants to build confidence in their writing skills so that their work may be published and understood internationally.

**Activities to be carried out.** Interactive teaching with input sessions, individual and group work Asynchronous assignments to develop and practice writing skills Individual feedback sessions in which participants reflect on their own written work and receive comprehensive advice on the improvement of various aspects Cultural and heritage trips as part of a chaperoned group.

**Expected outcomes and impact.** This course provides a professional development opportunity for participants which aims to enhance their approach to writing for an academic audience. Through inbuilt dissemination activities, participants are invited to share knowledge and skills acquired with their colleagues. The opportunity to experience new cultural contexts and network with international colleagues is a further positive outcome.

### CULTURAL PROGRAMME

The courses are delivered in Atlantic Language School in Galway on Ireland's 'Wild Atlantic' Coast, and participants will have ample opportunity to learn about the cultural heritage of both Ireland and the local area.

The week-long programme includes a full-day cultural tour to a local area of scenic and heritage value, a guided historical walking tour of Galway city, and afternoon social and cultural activities. Our staff are happy to suggest other tours and events to enjoy during your stay in Galway.



### DESIGNED FOR

Academics, Lecturers, Researchers, PhD Candidates, and Professionals working in Higher Education who is required to publish their work in English.

### MINIMUM LEVEL OF ENGLISH

B1 Intermediate (CEFR)

### COURSE LENGTH

Monday to Friday, 20 lessons / week  
+ Social and Cultural Activities  
+ Full-day Tour on Sunday

### ACCOMMODATION

Self-Catering Shared Apartment or Host Family [SEE OPTIONS](#)

### CERTIFICATION

Certificate of Participation and Attendance

### DOCUMENTS PROVIDED

STT Invitation, Europass, Work Plan (on request), Certificate

## SAMPLE TIMETABLE

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Arrival</b>	<b>Full-Day Tour to Wild Atlantic Way</b> Possible tours include: Connemara Aran Islands Cliffs of Moher	<b>9.00 - 12.30</b> <b>Stylistic conventions</b> Focus on style and register Shifting Style: recognising informal writing and switching to formal	<b>9.00 - 12.30</b> <b>Academic writing features (part 1)</b> Noun phrases Coherence & cohesion Signposting	<b>9.00 - 12.30</b> <b>Academic writing features (part 2)</b> Hedging Inversion for emphasis Academic collocations	<b>9.00 - 12.30</b> <b>Grammar in EAP</b> Verbs Adjectives & adverbs Punctuation	<b>9.00 - 12.30</b> <b>Participant and Peer Feedback</b> Self-reflection and tutor feedback Course review Review of personal learning objectives Certificate Ceremony
		<b>13.30</b> Walking Tour of Galway City	<b>15.30 - 16.30</b> 'Getting to Know You' - Tea & Chat Networking	<b>15.30 - 16.30</b> Wednesday Workshops	<b>20.00</b> Pub Night	<b>From 12.30</b> Explore Galway City - Digital Scavenger Hunt

## CALENDAR 2024

**January:** 15 - 19

**February:** 5 - 9, 19 - 23

**March:** 4 - 8, 11 - 15

**April:** 1 - 5, 15 - 19

**May:** 6 - 10, 20 - 24

**June:** 3 - 7, 17 - 21

**July:** 1 - 5, 15 - 19, 29 - 2

**August:** 5 - 9, 19 - 23

**September:** 2 - 6, 16 - 20

**October:** 7 - 11, 21 - 25

**November:** 4 - 8, 18 - 22

**December:** 2 - 6

## PRICE LIST 2024

20 Lessons per Week	All Course Materials	Registration Fee	End of Course Certificate	Afternoon Activities	Full-Day Excursion	Price (1 week)
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	€ 525

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