

# **ACADEMIC WRITING SKILLS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION STAFF**

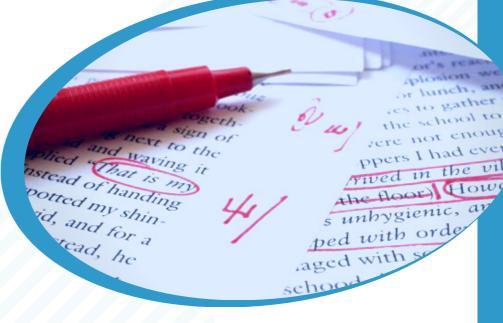
For academics, lecturers, teachers, researchers, doctoral students – any professional working in Higher Education who is required to publish their work in English.

Minimum English Level Required: B1 on the CEFR

Accommodation Options: Self-catering apartment/residence or Host Family (More information)

Dates: Courses are scheduled regularly throughout the year <u>(see calendar)</u> Location: Atlantic Language School, Galway Timetable: Courses run for 5 days (Monday to Friday), 20 lessons per week + optional social programme Price (2023): Tuition only: €455 per person, including

Registration fee and end of course certificate. **Tuition + Activities: €495** per person (accommodation costs are extra)



## **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	<ul> <li>To improve written competence in Academic English</li> <li>To gain writing practice in relation to academic articles, with a view to increasing vocabulary and improving structure, register and style</li> <li>To give participants' feedback on samples of their own academic writing.</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Interactive teaching with input sessions, individual and group work</li> <li>Asynchronous assignments to develop and practice writing skills</li> <li>Individual feedback sessions in which participants reflect on their own written work and receive comprehensive advice on the improvement of various aspects</li> <li>Cultural and heritage trips as part of a chaperoned group</li> </ul>
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 seminar programmes 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 professional walking tour on your first day and a half-day cultural outing later in the week.

### CERTIFICATION

The Organiser, Atlantic Language, will provide required documents including:
STT invitation

EUROPASS
Work Plan (on request)
Certificate of Participation and Attendance
CEFR level certificate (on request)

#### **ORGANISATION ID: E10256058**

SAMPLE TIMETABLE					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
09:00 - 12:30	09:00 - 12:30	09:00 - 12:30	09:00 - 12:30	09:00 - 12:30	
<ul> <li>Stylistic conventions</li> <li>Focus on style and register</li> <li>Shifting Style: recognising informal writing and switching to formal</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Academic writing features</li> <li>Noun phrases</li> <li>Coherence &amp; cohesion</li> <li>Signposting</li> </ul>	Academic writing features (continued) <ul> <li>Hedging</li> <li>Inversion for emphasis</li> <li>Academic collocations</li> </ul>	Grammar in EAP <ul> <li>Verbs</li> <li>Adjectives &amp; adverbs</li> <li>Punctuation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Participant and peer feedback</li> <li>Self-reflection and tutor feedback</li> <li>Course review</li> <li>Review of personal learning objectives</li> <li>Certificate Ceremony</li> </ul>	
13:30	13:30 - 15:00	14:00	13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 15:00	
Walking Tour of Galway (with activity package)	Individual writing feedback & asynchronous activities	Cultural excursion (with activity package)	Individual writing feedback & asynchronous activities	Individual writing feedback & asynchronous activities	
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