

Scientific Writing Course

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Program

Day 1 – Monday, October 6

Time in EAT (UTC +3)	Topic	Faculty
SESSION 1:		
8:30-9:00 a.m.	Welcome and Introduction	ALL
9:00-9:30 a.m.	Formulating the Research Question - Talk and group-based exercise	Giovanni Strippoli
9:30-10:00 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
10:00-10:30 a.m.	Scientific paper writing: - Overview of the key sections of a paper - Important points to keep in mind	Marcello Tonelli
SESSION 2:		
10:30-11:00 a.m.	Writing the Methods Section - Overview - Overview of commonly used statistical tests	Rümeyza Kazancioglu
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Group discussion – some group members to share information about the paper they are working on with the participants	ALL
12:00-1:30 p.m.	Lunch	
SESSION 3:		
1:30-2:30 p.m.	Participants to revise and update their Methods section (on their own)	-
2:30-4:00 p.m.	Writing the Methods section – group activity with mentor Participants to raise any issues about literature searching if applicable to their studies, with the mentors	ALL
4:00-4:15 p.m.	Tea/coffee break	
4:15-6:00 p.m.	Participants to revise and update their papers on their own in preparation for next day	ALL
6:00 p.m. -	Free evening	

Day 2 – Tuesday, October 7

Time in EAT (UTC +3)	Topic	Faculty
SESSION 1:		
8:30-9:00 a.m.	Writing the Results section (including tables and figures)	Marcello Tonelli
9:00-9:45 a.m.	Participants to revise their Results section on their own	-
9:45-10:00 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
10:00-10:30 a.m.	Writing the Results section – group activity with mentor	ALL
SESSION 2:		
10:30-11:00 a.m.	Introduction section – overview	Rümeýza Kazancıoglu
11:00-11:30 a.m.	Participants to revise their Introduction section on their own	-
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Writing the Introduction- group activity with mentor	ALL
12:00-1:00 p.m.	Lunch	
SESSION 3:		
1:30-2:00 p.m.	Key aspects of writing the Discussion – overview	Giovanni Strippoli
2:00-2:30 p.m.	Participants to revise their Discussion section on their own	-
2:30-3:00 p.m.	Writing the Discussion-group activity with mentor	ALL
3:00-3:30 p.m.	Participants to revise their papers on their own	-
4:00-4:15 p.m.	Tea/coffee break	
4:15-4:45 p.m.	Preparing to submit the manuscript and choosing a journal	Rümeýza Kazancıoglu
4:45-5:15 p.m.	Participants to revise their cover letter on their own	-
5:15-5:45 p.m.	Writing the cover letter – group activity with mentor	ALL
7:00 p.m.	Group dinner	

Day 3 – Wednesday, October 8

Time in EAT (UTC +3)	Topic	Faculty
SESSION 1:		
8:30-8:45 a.m.	Abstract – overview	Marcello Tonelli
8:45-9:30 a.m.	Writing an abstract for the paper – presentations	ALL
9:30-10:00 a.m.	Addressing reviewers' comments	ALL
10:00-10:15 a.m.	Tea/coffee break	
SESSION 2:		
10:15-10:30 a.m.	Preparing for resubmission - overview	Giovanni Strippoli
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Writing a response to reviewers – group exercise	ALL
11:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	Final discussions of participants' own papers - group work with mentors or selected presentations from participants	ALL

12:00-12:30 p.m.	Certificate award ceremony and closing remarks	ALL
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Lunch and departures	