

Date: 18. / 19.05. from 9am-5pm Venue: Villa Eberhard

Writing Papers and Theses in the Life Sciences

Writing scientific manuscripts is rewarding but can also turn out to be a difficult task for the beginner. This interactive workshop gives assistance to Ph.D. and Master students who are facing the challenge of writing a scientific paper or a thesis.

The participants will be guided through the entire process of scientific writing, step by step. The workshop starts with the first drafts of the scientific story, deals with the generation of figures and texts, and intensively discusses the contents and logic that reviewers expect from a good manuscript. The importance of interactions with supervisors and co-authors will be pointed out and, finally, problems with writing or publishing will also be dealt with. We will develop a toolbox that makes scientific writing much more efficient and rewarding.

How to prepare the writing phase?

From the contents:

- Data collection
- Concepts as decisive writing tools
- The "Word Flow" method, practised by writing small texts
- Good figures / bad figures
- The "center" of your manuscript
- The "Big Three": Introduction, Results, Discussion
- Showcase of your manuscript: Title and Abstract
- Not to be forgotten: Methods, References etc.
- Interaction with your supervisor and co-workers
- Submission of publications
- Dealing with problems in writing and publishing
- Issues specific to Master and Ph.D. theses
- Format: 2-days workshop with discussions, presentations, individual and group work; feedback on texts (abstracts) written during the workshop will be given
- Preparatory work (announced by e-mail several weeks ahead of the workshop): participants generate a list of topics/keywords which they use to write their abstracts.
- Language: English
- > A comprehensive hand-out as well as a certificate of attendance will be provided.
- > Trainer: Prof. Dr. Martin K. Wild, Münster, Germany

For face-to-face workshops, participants are asked to bring along their laptops (fully charged and/or with power cable!) to work on small texts.

Please, register via email to the IGradU Coordination Office. First come, first serve!

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