

Scientific Writing Course

by **Dr. Jeffrey Verhey**

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Writing up your academic research is difficult, especially if you are writing in a second language. In this two-day workshop we try to make this task a bit less daunting by introducing you to what you need to know to be able to write and publish a scientific paper in English. We will discuss:

- the structure of a research paper: IMRD (introductions, methods, results, discussion)
- strategies to write the various sections of the research paper, especially the introduction and the abstract
- the writing process: time management, strategies for writing, etc.
- the path to publication: analyzing journals, choosing a journal, writing a cover letter; submitting an article, responding to the reviewers' comments, etc.
- how to improve your academic writing style - how does a good writer make complex, difficult thoughts easier to understand? How can one improve one's "readability," write more concisely, improve the flow and the coherence of one's writing?

To prepare for the workshop, you are asked

1) to answer the short "needs analysis" and send it to the trainer (verheyje@cms.hu-berlin.de) before the workshop. Also, 2) please bring in three research articles from top peer-reviewed journals in your discipline. Please make sure that these are research articles which describe empirical research and not review articles or theoretical articles. Finally, 3) please fill out Brown's eight questions – your answers will be discussed in class.

This course will be held in English

When & where

February 21 & 22; 09:30 – 16:30 o'clock

Location: School of Analytical Sciences Adlershof
Albert-Einstein-Str. 5-9, 1.OG Room 218
12489 Berlin-Adlershof

Participants: max. 15

Trainer: Dr. Jeffrey Verhey

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