



University of Turku  
Post-Graduate School in Nursing Science  
Doctoral studies - Transferable skills

2012

## ACADEMIC WRITING FOR PUBLICATION

### Time:

February one day 17.2. 9-14 (lectures)  
April one day 20.4. 8-16 (workshop and supervised writing)  
June two days 14.-15.6. 9-16 (workshops and supervised writing + lectures)

### Place:

University of Turku, Department of Nursing Science, Sanitas building, Lemminkäisenkatu 1, 20014 University of Turku

Course leader: Sanna Salanterä, Professor of Clinical Nursing Science

Credits: 4 ect

Recommended for first or second year of PhD studies.

Requirement for participation: Student must have material for scientific article

Space for 20 students

Purpose: The purpose is to learn the principles of academic writing for scientific publication and gain confidence in reporting study results in scientific journals. This includes the writing process, sections of scientific articles, selection of publication forum, and getting familiar with the peer review evaluation process as well as ethical principles of scientific writing. During the course students prepare their own scientific manuscript which will be discussed in workshops.

Learning methods: Lectures, workshops and readings (literature listed below)

### Realization:

1. **first contact day** includes lectures and instructions for coursework
2. preparation of a scientific manuscript (individual work)
3. **second contact day** includes a workshop where students get individual supervision on their own manuscript and instructions for future work
4. preparation of a scientific manuscript (individual work)
5. **third contact day** includes a workshop where students get individual supervision on their own manuscript and instructions for future work and also lectures by editors of scientific journals
6. **fourth contact day** includes lectures by editors of scientific journals (both paper journal and open access journal)

Outcomes and evaluation: Accepted – Failed

Acceptance includes a manuscript of a scientific article that includes all essential parts of a report (abstract, introduction, literature, purpose, methods, results, discussion, and conclusions)

Students evaluate the course according to the evaluation form of the Finnish PGS in Nursing Science

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Preliminary program

**February, Day one, 17.2.** location Department of Nursing Science, room 227

Teachers: professors Sanna Salanterä and Riitta Suhonen

9-11.30      Opening of the course.  
Objectives and aims for the course  
Choosing the forum for publication, author information and writing instructions  
Formulating the purpose of the study, hypotheses and study questions

Lunch

12.30-14      Reporting data, methods and ethical issues  
Reporting results  
Literature review and discussion  
Reporting conclusions and final modification of the manuscript

**April, Day two, 20.4. location**

Teachers: professors Sanna Salanterä and Riitta Suhonen

8-9            Methods for evaluating the outlined manuscript  
9.00-16.00    Supervised writing of own manuscript in the computer room

**June, Days three 14.6. and four 15.6.,**

Teachers: professors Sanna Salanterä and Riitta Suhonen

Guest editors: Editor in Chief, Professor Roger Watson, Journal of Advanced Nursing, Editor in Chief, XX, Journal of Clinical Nursing and Editorial Board member, Professor Sabine De Geest, Open access Journal of BMC Nursing (not confirmed yet)

**14.6.**

9-10            Supervised writing of own manuscript in the computer room (Salanterä and Suhonen)

10-16

Submitting manuscripts for Journals, Guest editor  
Editing and revising of the manuscript, Guest editor

**15.6.**

9-15            Communication in the manuscript process, Guest editor  
Editorial policy and writing for JNA / JCN / BMC Nursing



## Literature

Russel & Aud 2002. Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association – 5th edition. Nursing Research 51(5), 332-335.  
(APA 5th ed muutokset)

Eva May 1993. Tiedettä englanniksi. Akateemisen kirjoittamisen käsikirja

## www-pages

[http://www.efm.leeds.ac.uk/~mark/ISlabbr/A\\_abrvjt.html](http://www.efm.leeds.ac.uk/~mark/ISlabbr/A_abrvjt.html) (Journal Title Abbreviations)

<http://mulford.meduohio.edu/instr/> (Julkaisufoorumien, lehtien haku otsikon ja hakusanojen avulla)

<http://www.icmje.org/> (Uniform Requirements for Manuscripts Submitted to Biomedical Journals: Writing and Editing for Biomedical Publication 2008)

<http://www.biochem.arizona.edu/marc/Sci-Writing.pdf> (Scientific writing)

<http://www.columbia.edu/cu/biology/ug/research/paper.html#introduction> (scientific writing)

[http://abacus.bates.edu/~ganderso/biology/resources/writing/HTW\\_Guide\\_Introduction\\_9-30-08.pdf](http://abacus.bates.edu/~ganderso/biology/resources/writing/HTW_Guide_Introduction_9-30-08.pdf) (scientific writing)

<http://www.library.uq.edu.au/training/citation/vancouv.pdf> (Vancouver style)

<http://www.lib.monash.edu.au/tutorials/citing/harvard.html> (Harvard style)

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/> (APA)

[www.NurseAuthorEditor.com](http://www.NurseAuthorEditor.com) (Wiley-Blackwell guide to academic writing, and reviewing)

[www.blackwellpublishing.com/publicationethics](http://www.blackwellpublishing.com/publicationethics) (publication ethics)