

## Academic writing IV. Publication and dissemination, 2.5 credits

Akademiskt skrivande IV. Publicering och spridning, 2,5 högskolepoäng

<b>Course code:</b>	FOUK023
<b>Host School:</b>	School of Education, Culture and Communication
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<b>Level of education:</b>	Third cycle level
<b>Language:</b>	English

### Course objective

The objective of this course is to provide doctoral students with the opportunity to improve their skills in academic publishing and communication. Furthermore, the course aims to help novice researchers to tackle the complex processes involved in publishing in international academic journals, including selecting suitable venues for publishing in their field, responding to peer-reviews and engaging in editorial and review work. The course also aims at equipping the participants with digital and critical skills in disseminating knowledge within and beyond academia through technology-enhanced tasks.

### Course content

Academic publishing, journal selection, impact, and navigating the publication processes. Hands-on, technology-supported tasks for writing for impact and engaging in review work, international publication as a quality assurance and scholarly communication process.

### Intended learning outcomes

Upon completion of the course the doctoral student should be able to:

1. Use technological tools to identify and critically select a high-quality international journal for their article and assess the demands it places on their writing and editing skills,
2. Demonstrate knowledge, discernment and skills in responding to academic peer review,

3. Conduct critical peer-review and develop scholarly communication skills.

## **The intended qualitative targets in the Higher Education Ordinance, appendix 2.**

### ***Knowledge and understanding***

For the Degree of Doctor, the doctoral student shall demonstrate:

- A2: familiarity with research methodology in general and the methods of the specific field of research in particular.

### ***Competence and skills***

For the Degree of Doctor, the doctoral student shall demonstrate:

- B4: the ability in both national and international contexts to present and discuss research and research findings authoritatively in speech and writing and in dialogue with the academic community and society in general

### ***Judgement and approach***

For a Degree of Doctor the doctoral student shall demonstrate

- C1: intellectual autonomy and disciplinary rectitude as well as the ability to make assessments of research ethics

## **Teaching formats**

Lectures, seminars, and workshops.

## **Examination**

SEM: Seminar activities 2.5 credits, (learning outcomes 1-3).

## **Grade**

Examinations included in the course are assessed according to a two-grade scale, fail or pass.

Grades are to be decided by a teacher specially appointed by the university.

A person who has not passed the regular examination shall be given the opportunity to retake the test.

## **Requirements**

To participate in the course and the examinations included in the course, the applicant must be admitted to doctoral studies at Mälardalen University.

### **Specific requirements**

- Initiated thesis work

### **Selection criteria**

Doctoral students admitted to other higher education institutions within and outside of Sweden may be admitted to the course, subject to availability. The same applies to teachers at Mälardalens University that holds a PhD. Selection of applicants will be made in accordance with the ranking below.

1. Doctoral students at Mälardalen University
2. Doctoral students at other universities in Sweden
3. Doctoral students at other higher education institutions outside Sweden
4. Teachers at Mälardalen University who hold a PhD