

## **Course Announcement**

### **Writing Scientific (Journal) Articles**

**Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2010, 2 to 4 hours per day (date are subject to change to the second week in March)

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**Target Group:** The course is open to all FEBA students who write a BA, MA or PhD thesis, and who are motivated to participate actively in the course.

**Participation requirements:** You have to apply for participating in the course (see details below).

**Deadline for application:** Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2010

**Course objectives:** This is a basic course in academic writing skills for students at all levels. Its primary objectives are to provide students with general information about how to effectively structure and present their academic work. Practical sessions are also included.

**Course description:** Academic writing such as articles, papers, term papers, and theses is an integral part of scientific works. For this purpose all texts have to meet general requirements of structure and content. Academic work has to be of high-quality scientific style, using correct and appropriate language and following a specific structure. In this course the *structure* of academic texts is presented and scientific texts are analyzed (composing sentences, paragraphs, and the text as a whole, referring and quotation, etc.) and it is shown how to highlight the main ideas of academic work. We will work with participants' texts. That is why active participation is a prerequisite in order to attend the course as well as during the course.

**How to apply:** Participants are selected on a competitive basis. The number of participants is limited. Applications are to be submitted by email (as pdf only) and must contain the following information:

- a) A description of a scientific issue you are working on or you would like to work on (300 – 350 words) (in English or German).
- b) A brief explanation why you would like to attend the course (100 words).
- c) A CV indicating your level of study.
- d) Publications if you have any.