

# Conference Papers and Research Articles in the Social Sciences and Humanities

Course lecturer: Dr. Galina Savukova, Center for Language Competence, University of Bern  
Date: 18 and 25 November, 9 and 16 December, 13 and 20 January: 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Room: A -124, UniS, Schanzeneckstr. 1

## Course Outline

Date	Topics and activities	Homework assignments
18 Nov	Introductions and course overview; the writing context; model texts; the writing process; vocabulary, register, and voice	Begin active vocabulary record; write an outline plan for a section of text
25 Nov	Sentence structure and sentence length; cohesion and flow; paragraph structure and information hierarchies	Reading; write two consecutive paragraphs
9 Dec	Speech and the written word; converting conference papers into research articles and vice versa; description and argument	Reading; convert a section of a conference paper into that of a research article or vice versa
16 Dec	Citation, quotation, and referencing; using multiple voices	Reading; writing assignment (topic and form negotiable)
13 Jan	Introductions and conclusions; summaries and abstracts; persuasion and speculation	Reading; writing assignment (topic and form negotiable)
20 Jan	Editing and submitting a text; punctuation	Continue and finish writing a conference paper or a research article

Enrolment by 31 October with Sarah Beyeler, [sarah.beyeler@iash.unibe.ch](mailto:sarah.beyeler@iash.unibe.ch)

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