

# Publish or perish Designing research for publication

### **Call for Participation**

Soft Skills Graduate School of the Humanities | GSH

Instructor: Prof. Dr. Christina Ljungberg

**Dates:** October 26 and November 9, 2017, 09:30 - 17:30h

Location: Unitobler, Lerchenweg 36, Hörraum F-113

**ECTS**: 1.5

Registration: Until August 31, 2017 to: toggweiler@wbkolleg.unibe.ch as on

KSL: <a href="https://www.ksl.unibe.ch/">https://www.ksl.unibe.ch/</a> (login with UniBe-account, search with title)

#### Content

How do you bring your scholarly research to the published conclusion it deserves? How does the acceptance process function in publishing?

That is what we will discuss in these two workshops which look at the why's and how's of writing and publishing research. We will examine and discuss the writing process, from abstract to finished article or thesis, paying particular attention to the writing and presenting of participants' own research as well as critically reviewing that of others. We will also explore the various possibilities for publishing your research in the form of a PhD thesis, individual articles targeted at specific journals, or an academic book, identifying crucial elements such as choosing a research design, writing your PhD thesis or articles or your book proposals and the various steps to publication as well as the refereeing process.

### **Learning objectives**

At the end of the course, participants will know:

- how to move quickly to publication
- how to master the basics of research and publication
- how to develop problem-solving strategies for writing
- how to improve the communication of their research for publication

Please note: This is not a language course / Participants need to bring their own laptop / Prior to the workshop participants are asked to send an abstract of a current paper or project to the instructor, <a href="mailto:cljung@es.uzh.ch">cljung@es.uzh.ch</a>.

#### **Program**

Day 1: October 26, 2017

09.30 -12.00: WORKSHOP: RESEARCH DESIGN

The Why's and How's of writing and publishing research

- Writing as Conversation
- Placing your research in an international context
- Mapping your project
- Identifying your contribution

13.00 -17.30: DESIGNING ABSTRACTS

Abstracts vs. Introductions

- How to write an abstract
- Peer reviewing abstracts

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November 9, 2017

09.30-12.00: WORKSHOP: WRITING RESEARCH PAPERS Introductions

- Peer-reviewing and discussion of introductions
- The mechanics of writing, from outline to draft

#### 13.00-17.30: PUBLISHING

- Publishing articles
- Criteria for publication
- Discussions of key skills and problems experienced in the process of research and writing
- Writing a book proposal (of your doctoral thesis);
- Writing a book review

Discussion of submitted material Evaluation and Goodbye!



**Prof. Dr. Christina Ljungberg** is a literary scholar with several years of media experience in Swedish and Canadian film and television. She has been teaching English and American literature and culture at the University of Zurich since 1995 and courses in writing and publishing at the University Zurich Graduate Campus since its start in 2010. Her many books and articles, most recently *Creative Dynamics* (John Benjamins, 2012) and *Thinking with Diagrams* (with Sybille Krämer, De Gruyter, 2016), focus mainly on ways of mapping knowledge and the intermedial function of maps and photographs in literature and art. She is the coordinator of the Iconicity Research Project, www.iconicity.ch (together with Prof. Dr. Olga

Fischer, University of Amsterdam), and General Editor of the series "Iconicity in Language and Literature (ILL)" (John Benjamins). Her new project, "Imaginary Wanderings - Making the invisible visible", concerns the development of a new type of interactive cultural communication, http://imaginary-wanderings.com. She is also currently preparing a collection of essays on the interrelations between verbal and visual media.

