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Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences

# SLUkurs

## Syllabus

**PLG0049 How to write and publish a scientific paper, 3.0 credits**

## Syllabus approved

2019-03-21

## Subjects

Other Social Science

## Education cycle

Third cycle

## Grading scale

Pass / Failed

The requirements for attaining different grades are described in the course assessment criteria which are contained in a supplement to the course syllabus. Current information on assessment criteria shall be made available at the start of the course.

## Language

English

## Prior knowledge

The applicant must be enrolled as a postgraduate student.

## Objective, including learning outcomes

The overall objective of the course is to learn how to write and publish a scientific manuscript. Critical reading and discussions of manuscripts are included. On

completion of the course, students should have a critical understanding of what it means to write and publish scientific manuscripts.

## **Content**

Lectures about

- the build up of a scientific manuscript
- pictures and graphs
- how to present data and statistics
- ways of writing different parts of manuscripts
- writing different manuscripts (Natural science/Social science etc.)

A large part of the course will involve group discussions where each student will get training in writing her/his own manuscript. Thus there is a need that the students participating in the course already have enough data for writing a manuscript. Please check with your supervisor. Course leaders and students are reviewing each other's manuscripts.

## **Requirements for examination**

Active participation in at least 80% of the lectures and discussion. A first draft of a full manuscript should be ready.

## **Additional information**

Course start week 43 and end week 9 and involves six whole-day meetings at a regular bases. Between meetings students write their texts and comment on the texts of the other participants. The course meetings will be planned so that it is possible to take the other PhD courses in Alnarp during this time period.

Number of participants: 6-20 students. Groups will be formed related to type of subject for the writing (e.g. divided into Natural-Technological Science/Social Science.). Please provide a few sentences about your PhD project and your planned manuscript when you register for the course.

## **Responsible department**

Department of Plant Protection Biology