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- 30 hours starting 18th February
- Wednesday 17-19 aula PT + Friday 11-13 laboratorio 1
- cross-disciplinary course
- ScienzePolitiche students on any undergraduate/postgraduate degree course as well as Teaching Staff welcome

Writing is at the heart of academic life, and you will undoubtedly be required to write in English at some time or other. If your chosen path is academia, you will be required to write research papers, abstracts, and even books. Needless to say that good writing skills are also highly prized by employers in the private sector where writing emails, reports and systems analyses are part of the daily routine.

Writing is not a natural talent like having a musical ear, or being a master chess player, it is an art that can be learnt, and improved upon. Of all the English Language Skills, it is sadly one of the most neglected. People already at university probably feel that they have acquired the necessary competence at school. This is undoubtedly true as regards writing in their native language.

However, academic writing in English is linear, with one central point or theme with every part contributing to the main line of argument, without digressions or repetitions. Its objective is to inform rather than entertain.

The aim of this course is to provide students with a practical guide to the major factors involved in academic writing in English a good command of which will help you to think more clearly, and have a positive impact on every aspect of your academic work.

It goes without saying that an intermediary level of English is needed to get the most from this course.

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