

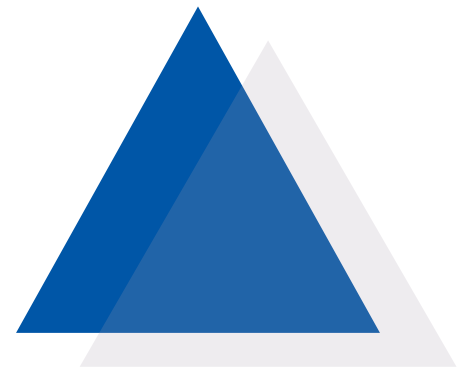
FEBRUARY 14 – 18, 2022

WINTER SCHOOL

# REVISE & REVITALIZE

ACADEMIC WRITING & PRESENTATION SKILLS  
FOR RESEARCHERS

The LBG Career Center presents the second Winter School for **pre- and post-doc researchers** from the Ludwig Boltzmann Gesellschaft and other Austrian research organizations and universities.



## WINTER SCHOOL REVISE & REVITALIZE

Fear of the blank page and presentation anxiety are common challenges for researchers pursuing careers in science. The goal of the Winter School is to give participants the tools and skills they need to deal with these and other challenges during a 5-day program.

4 Modules and a writing retreat will give researchers an opportunity to work on their own writing projects in a structured and supportive atmosphere. The overarching theme of healthy working in research is integrated to give participants concrete tools for increasing productivity and maintaining work-life balance.

The target group for the Winter School is junior and senior researchers working on English-language dissertations or journal articles who want to develop their skills for further careers in academia or scientific communication.

14 Participants will be selected according to an application process. The program language is English.



## WINTER SCHOOL CORE ELEMENTS

### WRITING SESSIONS & 1:1 WRITING COACHING

In a peaceful retreat outside Vienna, you can work on your writing project with the guidance and support of our writing coach in structured writing and 1:1 coaching sessions.

### MODULES

4 Modules focusing on communication skills for researchers are spread throughout the 5-day Winter School.

### PEER EXCHANGE

You'll be paired with another researcher for brainstorming ideas, feedback on your writing, and writing support.

### PUBLISHING TALK

An evening dialog with Dr. Teresa Ortner (Senior Editor, nature research journals Nature, Communications Chemistry, Nature Communications). She will give insight into the editorial processes at the nature research journals, as well as career opportunities for researchers in scientific publishing.

### EVENING EVENT

In line with the themes of healthy working in research and improving communication skills, an evening team building event allows you to connect with the other participants in a relaxed atmosphere.

### POST-SESSION

A compulsory reunion of the Winter School participants will take place to discuss how you're integrating the program learnings and what progress you've made since the program.

## MODULES



### WRITING PAINLESSLY & EFFECTIVELY

How can you build an argument and structure your writing to publish successfully? Dr. Katherine Caves (Lab Director CEMETS, ETH Zurich) explains the unwritten rules of writing to get your research published including argumentation, structure, style, and writing for the right audience.



### REVITALIZE

How can you cope with stress while keeping your mind and body in balance? Mag. Tanja Schreiner (Coach, Hikingdays Consulting) demonstrates practical tools that can be directly transferred to your daily work and research routine. The sessions will take place outdoors and integrate nature as much as possible.



### ON THE SAME PAGE – PEER EXCHANGE

How do you know you're communicating what you intend to in your writing? Marc Abernathy (self-employed writing coach & editor) introduces an effective peer feedback method that strengthens your ability to give, receive, and integrate feedback on your work.



### SHARPEN YOUR PRESENTATION SKILLS

How can you create impact, inspire your audience, and leave a lasting impression with your presentation? Alison Joyce (self-employed presentation skills trainer & coach) shows you how to create and deliver presentations that will impress your audience.

## FINANCING

The LBG Career Center covers the costs for the Winter School including participants' meal and hotel costs (excluding alcoholic beverages). Registration of participants is binding and failure to attend without a doctor's testament or positive Corona test will result in a fee of 4,200 EUR.

## TESTIMONIALS

*“When applying for the Winter School, I never anticipated that I would benefit so much. It not only taught me how to sharpen my academic writing skills, but also enabled me to acquire a daily writing habit. It allowed me, as a non-native speaker, to embrace the challenges of English writing and also helped me, as a young scholar, to be mentally prepared for the challenges of academic life.”*

Post-Doc, Winter School 2021

*“The Winter School was a fantastic learning experience with many golden nuggets. Now I’m not afraid of a blank page anymore - I just write and then rewrite knowing that this is totally normal instead of looking for the perfect sentence for hours.”*

Pre-Doc, Winter School 2021

## APPLICATION CRITERIA

- ▷▷ Applicants must be pre- or post-doc researchers affiliated with an Austrian research organization or university
- ▷▷ All fields of study are accepted
- ▷▷ Applications must include a **CV** (max. 2 pages), a **letter of motivation** (max. 1 page) detailing how the Winter School would benefit your career development, and an **abstract** of the paper you plan to revise during the program
- ▷▷ **Application deadline: January 2, 2022**

## CORONA MEASURES

The Winter School will take place in person. If Corona regulations prevent the program from taking place in February, the program will run on April 25 – 29, 2022. The program will comply with all Corona regulations for in-person events.

Lower Austria, Freigut Thallern					
	<b>MONDAY</b> 14.02.2022	<b>TUESDAY</b> 15.02.2022	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 16.02.2022	<b>THURSDAY</b> 17.02.2022	<b>FRIDAY</b> 18.02.2022
09:00 - 13:00	<b>OPENING SESSION</b> Plenary Kaitlin Appleby	<b>WRITING RETREAT INTRODUCTION</b> Plenary Marc Abernathy	<b>REALISTIC PLANNING &amp; GOAL SETTING</b> Plenary Marc Abernathy	<b>INCORPORATING FEEDBACK</b> Individual Working Marc Abernathy	<b>SHARPEN YOUR PRESENTATION SKILLS</b> Plenary Alison Joyce
	<b>WRITING PAINLESSLY: ARGUMENTATION</b> Plenary Katherine Caves	<b>WRITING SESSION &amp; 1:1 WRITING COACHING</b> Individual Working Marc Abernathy	<b>WRITING SESSION &amp; 1:1 WRITING COACHING</b> Individual Working Marc Abernathy	<b>WRITING SESSION &amp; 1:1 WRITING COACHING</b> Individual Working Marc Abernathy	
13:00 - 14:00	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>				
14:00 - 18:00	<b>TEAM BUILDING</b> Plenary Tanja Schreiner	<b>WRITING SESSION &amp; 1:1 WRITING COACHING</b> Individual Working Marc Abernathy	<b>ON THE SAME PAGE: PEER EXCHANGE</b> Plenary/Pairs Marc Abernathy	<b>SHARPEN YOUR PRESENTATION SKILLS</b> Plenary Alison Joyce	<b>SHARPEN YOUR PRESENTATION SKILLS</b> Plenary Alison Joyce
	<b>WRITING EFFECTIVELY: STYLE &amp; AUDIENCE</b> Plenary Katherine Caves		<b>REVITALIZE</b> Plenary Tanja Schreiner		
		<b>WRITING SESSION &amp; 1:1 WRITING COACHING</b> Individual Working Marc Abernathy	<b>REVITALIZE</b> Plenary Tanja Schreiner		
18:00 - 19:00	<b>DINNER</b>				
19:00 - 20:00	<b>ACADEMIC WRITING IN THEORY &amp; PRACTICE</b> Plenary Marc Abernathy & Katherine Caves	<b>PUBLISHING TALK</b> Plenary Teresa Ortner	<b>HALFWAY THERE: CHECKING PROGRESS, REVISING GOALS</b> Plenary Marc Abernathy	<b>EVENING EVENT</b> Plenary	<b>FREE</b>
<b>HEALTHY WORKING IN RESEARCH</b>					



## PROGRAM CONCEPT & CONTACT

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