## **Academic Writing**

**Institution:** School of Public Policy, Central European University

**Year/Term:** Year 1, Terms 1&2

**Course type:** Core course

**ECTS:** 0

## **Brief description (including learning outcomes):**

The aim of this course is to help you develop as a writer within the English speaking academic community by raising awareness of, practicing, and reflecting upon the conventions of written texts. In addition to addressing issues related to academic writing, the course will also focus on other language skills you will need to complete your graduate level work in English.

## During the course, students will:

- Become familiar with the genres of and enhance the skills related to research-based and policy writing
- Improve your ability to use effectively the discourse patterns of academic English
- Have the opportunity to develop your writing process through generating ideas, drafting, peer
  evaluation and individual writing consultations
- Learn to take into consideration the expectations of your readership with regard to discourse conventions in different communities
- Learn to incorporate the work of other authors into your own writing within the requirements of English academic practice

## By the end of this course, students should be able to:

- Identify the typical components and features of various genres in your field
- Structure a policy brief, a critique or a position paper, an op-ed and a research paper at the macro and micro level
- Think and write more clearly and incisively
- Draw on a variety of skills and approaches when writing different papers

- Write for various audiences, adapting your writing to the expectations of these audiences
- Properly incorporate the work of other authors into your own writing, and understand the CEU policy on plagiarism
- Edit and refine your own written work