

The General Postgraduate Program: Courses 2025/1

A 4-2 Presenting in English (2 CP)

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Course Description

Presenting in your own language is difficult enough, but in today's global environment more and more post-graduates are required to attend international events and/or present their research in English. This two-day seminar will look at what makes an effective presentation, focusing on language skills, non-verbal communication and intercultural issues.

Target Audience, Number of Participants

Doctoral candidates of JGU with a good command of English, allowing them to communicate fluently.

Maximum number of participants: 12 persons

Date, Time, Location

Tuesday, March 11th, 09:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Friday, March 14th, 2025, 2:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., Seminar Room 01-229, ZQ Kisselberg (Isaac-Fulda-Allee 2b-c).

Topics

- Differences between oral and written communication in English
- Structuring and delivering oral presentations to meet the requirements of an international audience
- Simple rhetorical techniques
- Interacting with an audience: models of clarifying, responding to and dealing with questions
- Non-verbal communication - what your body language is really saying
- Small talk in English, especially for conferences or meetings

Learning Results

Participants...

- overcome their difficulties with English pronunciation through concentrating on common and individual pronunciation problems;
- are aware of the difference between spoken and written communication in English;
- are able to structure and deliver oral presentations in English and to present complicated subject matters clearly and effectively;
- feel confident to participate in seminars, workshops, international conferences and other kinds of academic discussions.

Preparation

Participants will be required to give a **5-minute presentation** on their area of research which incorporates skills learnt during the seminar.

Application Details

To apply please use [OpenOLAT](#).

In order to be able to apply for the courses, doctoral candidates need to be **registered** with the GPP.

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