

Public Speaking for Scientists

Content

We all need to present and defend our research from time to time. Be it speaking at an international conference, the defence of your PhD or presenting your project to secure a grant and funding, public speaking is crucial for scientists. Learn how to explain, to teach and to convince better with just a few tips and tricks. Profit from the opportunity to present your work and get personal feedback about your public speaking.

In this course you can learn the basics of efficient and effective communication, learn the theory and apply it in practice. You will refine your impromptu speaking skills as well as prepare a scientific speech in your field of expertise.

The course aims to provide you with the tools to improve your speaking skills as well as offer you the opportunity to try them out in an inter-disciplinary setting.

Learning objectives

Participants will learn about their individual public speaking strengths and their specific potential for improvement. You will learn how to prepare a speech effectively and efficiently and how to present your scientific content so it connects with your/the audience.

Whilst theory is important, you'll also practice your speaking-skills in plenary sessions and receive individual feedback.

Workshop management

Melchior Glatthard is a research assistant at the department of civil law at the University of Bern. He handed in his PhD in November 2019.

In 2017 he won the European championships of public speaking in the fields of humorous and impromptu speech (Toastmasters, South-West Europe, District 59). Since then he has been giving public speaking workshops at Universities (University of Berne, ETH Alumni) as well as for various companies (a.o. Johnson&Johnson, EY Switzerland and SBB Cargo) and also works as a voice-over artist.

For more information see: <https://www.melchior-glatthard.ch>.

Target audience

The target audience are postdocs and doctoral students who are interested in improving their presentation skills.

Language	English
Number of participants	15
Prerequisites	an interest in active participation

Dates

- Tuesday, February 25, 2020
- Tuesday, March 3, 2020
- Tuesday, March 17, 2020 (1st half of participants)
- Tuesday, March 24, 2020 (2nd half of participants)

On all dates from 08:15-12:00 o'clock

Place University of Bern / Main building, Hochschulstr. 4, Room 029

Recommended ECTS 1

Further information on the Workshop

In the run-up to the workshop, the participants will receive a questionnaire for the self-assessment of their rhetorical abilities and of the expectations for the workshop. The completed document has to be handed in before the start of the workshop (**deadline Feb 11, 2020, 09:00 a.m.**). People who do not send this prep task will be removed from the course and their place will be offered to the colleagues on the waitlist.