



# Erasmus+

## STT Week Academic Writing

Galway | Ireland 6 to 10 December 2016

### Objectives

The purpose of the Erasmus Plus STT week on Academic Writing in Ireland is to foster the advancement of English skills for academic purposes among participants. In the contemporary world the 'publish or perish' academic culture means that it is crucial for academics to use language at an advanced level for the purpose of scientific publication (Scopus®, Web of Science™, etc.) and the preparation of advanced grant proposals (such as Horizon 2020, Fulbright, etc.).

### Programme

This seminar will take place in the beautiful city of Galway, on the Atlantic Ocean coast, known as the cultural capital of Ireland. It will be divided into workshop classes and one-to-one coaching sessions. Participants will be provided with Erasmus Plus Staff Mobility (STT) certificates and EUROPASS upon completion. With a duration of 5 days (25 hours), the seminar also includes a cultural immersion in various activities including an Irish Dance Night and Irish Pub Night. There is also the option of a day-trip to the splendid Aran Islands on Saturday.

### Participants

Participants for the seminar workshops should have an English language skill level of at least CEFR B1 and be willing to improve their academic English skills. PhD holders, PhD candidates and other academic staff and team members who want to excel in academic publication and academic public speaking are well-welcome to participate.

### Accommodation

Accommodation in Galway is provided by the organiser in the price of the seminar. The organiser offers two accommodation options:

- **Apartment Accommodation**  
self-catering accommodation
- **Accommodation in Host Families**  
experiencing an Irish family with half-board Monday to Friday and full-board at the weekend

### Financing

Participation in the Seminar can be funded through the use of an Erasmus Plus STT grant from your academic institution.

The Organiser, Atlantic Language, will provide the required documents including the STT invitation, work plan and a Certificate of Participation for all Seminar participants.

### Programme Cost

<b>Option A</b>	<b>€650</b>
Seminar Programme plus Apartment Accommodation	
<b>Option B</b>	<b>€750</b>
Seminar Programme plus Host Family Accommodation	

As the number of places offered on this Programme are limited, it is necessary for us to accept applications on a first-come-first-served basis.



Atlantic Language is a high quality English language school in Ireland with sites in both Galway in the west and Dublin in the east.

A market leader in language education in Ireland, Atlantic has received several awards including the **Ulster Bank Achievers Award for International Business** in Connacht and the prestigious *Language Travel Magazine Award* for the **Best English Language School Europe 2009** which also acknowledged the professionalism of Atlantic Language but also the important part played by Atlantic.



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### Seminar Workshop Programme

Dr Lou McLaughlin, Atlantic Language's Programme Specialist has, in devising the programme for the Seminar Workshops,

considered the essential needs of and the challenges faced by users of the English language when writing for academic

audiences and purposes. Delivered over 25 workshop hours, the Seminar Programme is assisted by one-to-one support.

	Topic Focus	Written Skills Work	Language Work
<b>Day 1</b>	A   <b>Understand and Presenting Information</b> B   <b>Perspective and Stance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expanding notes into sentences</li> <li>General <i>versus</i> Academic Writing styles</li> <li>Plagiarism</li> <li>Understanding written definitions</li> <li>Paragraph structure</li> <li>Writing topic and concluding sentences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building word families</li> <li>Using coordinators</li> <li>Paraphrasing</li> <li>Presentation of facts</li> <li>Logical ordering of sentences</li> </ul>
<b>Day 2</b>	A   <b>Definition and Explanation</b> B   <b>Description and Trends</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Definitions using prepositional phrases</li> <li>Definitions using relative clauses</li> <li>Writing definition paragraphs</li> <li>Using notes to build up a paragraph</li> <li>Writing a descriptive paragraph</li> <li>Using adverbials to add context</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluative adjectives</li> <li>Noun and Prepositional phrases</li> <li>Signposting language</li> <li>Using adverbials for cohesion</li> <li>Progressive forms</li> </ul>
<b>Day 3</b>	A   <b>Reporting and Summarising</b> B   <b>Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Using summarizing words and phrases</li> <li>Evaluating summaries of a text</li> <li>Taking notes on a presentation</li> <li>Ways of referring to sources</li> <li>Synthesizing sources to use in a paragraph</li> <li>Analysing source use in a text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Perfect and Past tenses</li> <li>Connectors and Cohesive Devices</li> <li>Using reporting verbs and structure</li> <li>Prepositions for time and quantity</li> </ul>
<b>Day 4</b>	A   <b>Networks and Contextualising</b> B   <b>Referencing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identifying the features of an introduction</li> <li>Evaluating thesis statements</li> <li>Writing an introduction</li> <li>Writing an accurately referenced para.</li> <li>Using source texts in writing</li> <li>Referring to other people's ideas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contextualising</li> <li>Adding support</li> <li>Complex noun phrases</li> <li>Referencing</li> <li>Passive and active voice</li> <li>Cohesive language in text</li> </ul>
<b>Day 5</b>	A   <b>Comparison and Contrast</b> B   <b>Argument and Evidence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organising and writing an argument essay</li> <li>Incorporating evidence in an essay</li> <li>Evaluating your own work</li> <li>Selecting and synthesizing information</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluating adjectives</li> <li>Evaluating arguments</li> <li>Using 'it' and 'there' structures</li> <li>Signposting</li> <li>W/h-clauses</li> </ul>

*Atlantic Language and its tutors reserve the flexibility to amend the sequence or content to be delivered based on the observed or expressed needs of Seminar participants.*



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