Advanced Academic Writing

Purpose:		The purpose with this course is to give participants opportunity to train practical skills within manuscript writing and revision, grants applications and budget work.

Goals:

Knowledge and understanding — In order to pass the participant must

- show awareness of different formatting requirements for manuscripts
- show awareness of different formatting requirements for grants applications and budgets

Skill sets — In order to pass the participant must

- show capacity to follow rules and conventions for manuscript and grant proposal submissions
- show capacity to create texts with fitting illustrations and data in a scientifically convincing way, in correct English
- show capacity to make their case and persuade editors and reviewers

Values and attitude — In order to pass the participant must

- show respect for deadlines
- show committment to the writing tasks

Content: Free, creative manuscript writing for journal-specific templates, writing of rebuttal letters and revised manuscripts, free, creative grant application writing to a grant source, budget work.

Structure: The course consists of one common introductory lecture and five mandatory individual written assignments.

Examination: For a pass, all assignments must have been submitted on time, and executed according to certain minimal requirements (all mandatory sections filled out without plagiarisms).

Length: The course corresponds to five weeks of work, resulting in 7.5 university study points (range UG) of the graduate student's curriculum, if compatible with the individual study plan.

Eligibility: For BME people, no other strict requirements. The applicant should preferrably be a graduate student or postdoc with previous participation in one or several of the courses: *Akademiskt skrivande/ Writing in English at University, Academic Writing for Publication in the Engineering and Science Disciplines, Reading Skills and the*

Discourse of the Research Article or similar.

Selection: In case of an excess in number of applications, priority will be given to: 1) graduate (PhD) students, 2) those who have taken several of the courses mentioned above, 3) those who took at least one of the courses mentioned, 4) others.
Max 15 participants.

Language: English.

Homepage: http://bme.lth.se/course-pages/advanced-academic-writing/advanced-academic-writing/

Litterature: See the homepage.

Course leader: Tord Hjalt, Ph.D., Associate Professor (*docent*).

Classification: The course is for PhD students at BME.

Other: Images, tables, graphs, example texts etc for creation of manuscripts and applications are available at the homepage. Those who want can use data from their own research for the assignments.