LANG3027 Science Communication in English for Research Students

Learning Objectives

Throughout this course, students will:

- Gain a comprehensive understanding of the key features and writing styles of scientific research writing.
- Develop effective writing skills and strategies to proficiently complete each section of a research report.
- Synthesize relevant information from various sources to enhance the quality of their research reports.
- Demonstrate proficiency in academic writing, employing clear, concise, coherent, and cohesive language.
- Exhibit the ability to revise written work through multiple drafts and effective editing.

Learning Contents

The course will cover the following topics:

- Academic writing styles: Understanding the distinctive styles and practices of scientific research writing.
- Writing different sections of research project reports: Mastering the art of crafting each section effectively.
- Presenting research findings academically: Techniques for communicating research outcomes in a scholarly manner.

Teaching Mode:

LANG3027 combines face-to-face lessons with online tasks to create an engaging and interactive learning experience.

Expectations:

To make the most of LANG3027, students are expected to:

- Actively participate in both face-to-face lessons and online tasks.
- Engage in regular consultations with the course instructor to discuss progress and writing drafts.
• Independently find out the specific assignment submission requirements from faculty members of SSCI, and effectively communicate this information to the LANG3027 course instructor to receive maximum benefits from the course.

Assessment:

Please note that due dates and weightings for assessments will be announced on Canvas. The assessment components include:

• Online and out-of-class tasks.
• Research report draft (scheduled for around mid-term period).
• Final version of the research report.
• Oral presentation of research findings.

We look forward to embarking on this enriching journey of improving your scientific research writing skills. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. (course coordinator, Dr Elza Tsang, lcelzatsang@ust.hk)