

**Programme:** M.A. in Portuguese

**Course Code:**PRO-222

**Title of the Course:** Academic Writing

**Number of Credits:** 4 (48 hrs)

**Effective from AY:** 2019-2020

<b><u>Prerequisites for the course:</u></b>	Be registered in a post-graduate program	
<b><u>Objective:</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- to introduce students to diverse modes of academic production (articles, books, presentations, reports);</li><li>- to develop skills in academic writing and critical reading</li><li>- to teach the steps of rigorous editing process;</li><li>- to prepare students to submit scientific texts in peer-review journals and book publishers;</li><li>- to prepare students to follow rigorous academic research methodologies</li><li>- to prepare students to avoid plagiarism and other malpractices in academic production</li></ul>	
<b><u>Content:</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Introduction to the elementary structure of a scientific text;</li><li>- The diverse modes of presenting and discussing research and research methodologies (text, multimedia, presentation);</li><li>- Developing the skills of critical reading;</li><li>- The rules of academic writing: structure, content, bibliography;</li><li>- How to cite and avoid plagiarism;</li><li>- Structuring thesis proposals;</li><li>- Funding your research: how to prepare grant proposals;</li></ul>	
<b><u>Pedagogy:</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lectures and class discussions</li><li>- Individual assignments (reading and writing)</li><li>- Class presentations and peer-review process</li><li>- If possible, attending one of more talks, as an exercise of summarizing information.</li></ul>	
<b><u>References/Readings</u></b>	<p><b>Eco</b>, Humberto, 2015. <i>How to write a thesis</i>. MIT Press, Massachusetts.</p> <p><b>Bailey</b>, Stephen, 2011. <i>Academic Writing. A Handbook for International Students</i>. Routledge, London and New York.</p> <p><b>Blanpain</b>, Kristin, 2006. <i>Academic Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences</i>. Acco, Leuven.</p> <p>Diverse articles, book chapters, reports and presentations from social sciences, humanities and natural sciences.</p>	