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## Call for Participants

### Academic Writing: Workshops and Lectures

May 4-7, Uppsala University, held online through Zoom,  
with Josie Dixon, Publishing and Research Training Consultant, Lucian Consulting

#### Introduction

Uppsala Forum on Democracy, Peace and Justice is pleased to invite you to a series of workshops and lectures on various aspects of the academic publishing process. The series is designed for PhD students in different stages of their PhD, as well as postdoctoral researchers and the academic community at Uppsala University at large. “Academic Writing” covers topics such as conference preparation and participation, monograph publishing, impact and research communication, and much more. The series is open to all PhD students and researchers at Uppsala University. If space allows, participants from other universities will also be admitted. *Attendance is free of charge, but registration is required and binding.*

Josie Dixon began her publishing career at Cambridge University Press, where she served as Senior Commissioning Editor in the Humanities and Social Sciences Division. In 1999 she was appointed Publishing Director for the Academic Division at Palgrave Macmillan. Since 2003 she has been a freelance consultant with a wide network of over 80 clients in higher education and publishing, and gives lectures and training workshops internationally.

#### Registration

Please register your participation no later than *April 21 (including assignment for workshop 2 and 3)* by contacting [mattias.vesterlund@ires.uu.se](mailto:mattias.vesterlund@ires.uu.se).

Make sure to indicate which workshop(s) you want to attend. See below for more information about content, *mandatory preparation requirements and deadlines*. Should you have any questions please contact: [mattias.vesterlund@ires.uu.se](mailto:mattias.vesterlund@ires.uu.se).

#### Workshop 1: Writing and Giving Conference Papers in the Humanities and Social Sciences

May 4-5, 09.30-16.30 both days

*The workshop will be held online through Zoom, the layout of the workshop might change to accommodate this.*

A two-part workshop on writing and giving conference papers which combines an introduction to academic conferences, writing abstracts and preparing presentations with a



practical session on the second day (run as a mock-conference) in which the participants have the opportunity to rehearse the delivery of sample presentations, handle questions and receive feedback. *This workshop requires participants to prepare a short (5 minute) sample presentation on some aspect of their research. A brief pre-course questionnaire will also be distributed a few weeks prior to the workshop.*

### **Workshop & Lecture 2: Monograph Publishing**

May 6, 11.00-12.30 (lecture), 13.30-17.30 (seminar)

*The workshop will be held online through Zoom, the layout of the workshop might change to accommodate this.* An eye-opening lecture on academic publishing in the 21st century (covering the state of the market for scholarly publications, online publishing, open access and more) with opportunities for questions and discussion, followed by a half-day interactive workshop. The course is packed with insights into editors' decision-making and strategies for maximizing the chances of publication in a competitive climate. For final-year postgraduates and postdocs, the emphasis is on making the transition from PhD to publication, with a focus on scholarly monographs. *This workshop requires seminar participants to prepare research project descriptions (maximum 1 page each) outlining their research projects. **Sharp deadline: April 21, send your contribution to: [mattias.vesterlund@ires.uu.se](mailto:mattias.vesterlund@ires.uu.se).***

### **Workshop 3: Impact & Research Communication Skills**

May 7, 09.00-15.00

*The workshop will be held online through Zoom, the layout of the workshop might change to accommodate this.* This interactive workshop is designed to develop the necessary skills for effectively communicating the significance and value of specialist research to those outside the discipline. Participants learn how to make a powerful case for their project in grant applications, job applications or publishing proposals, and develop their ability to engage wider audiences for presentations, public engagement, outreach, and dealing with the media. Practical exercises encourage a focus on the purpose, impact, outcomes, benefits, and applications of participants' research. *This workshop requires participants to prepare brief research project descriptions (no more than 1 page each and even a paragraph will do). **Sharp deadline: April 21, send your contribution to: [mattias.vesterlund@ires.uu.se](mailto:mattias.vesterlund@ires.uu.se).***