Course Outline for Academic Writing in English for The School of Biological Sciences

This course aims to help you write clear, grammatically accurate and well-organised academic and scientific English. A major focus of the course will be on the language used to express the main communicative functions used at all levels of academic discourse. In addition, some sessions will explore certain common features of the research report.

Semester 1 09 October 2017 to 15 December 2017

	Week beginning	Session Focus/Activity
1	09 October 2017	Introduction to the course Introduction to academic style
2	16 October 2017	Sentence structure and punctuation
3	23 October 2017	Academic Style – grammar and word choice
4	30 October 2017	Information Structuring and Cohesion
5	06 November 2017	Referencing
6	13 November 2017	Peer Review
7	20 November 2017	Summarising and Paraphrasing 1
8	27 November 2017	Summarising and Paraphrasing 2
9	04 December 2017	The Research Report – Structure and Phraseology
10	11 December 2017	Critical Reading & Review of the Course

Semester 2 29 January 2018 to 23 March 2018

	Week beginning	Session Focus/Activity
1	29 January 2018	Introduction to the course Introduction to academic style
2	05 February 2018	Sentence structure and punctuation
3	12 February 2018	Academic Style – grammar and word choice
4	19 February 2018	Information Structuring and Cohesion
5	26 February 2018	Referencing
6	05 March 2018	Peer Review
7	12 March 2018	Summarising and Paraphrasing 1
8	20 March 2017	Summarising and Paraphrasing 2