European Sociological Association Summer School 2010

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
Academic Writing Workshop for PhD students -
Finland, 19-23 July 2010

Mysteries of Journal Article Writing

Publishing journal articles in peer reviewed journals in English has been an increasing trend in the academia, and is nowadays a requirement for anyone wishing to have a serious career in Sociology. The skill of article writing is however not always a part of the PhD training, furthermore, there are diverse myths on what makes a good manuscript, and how to internationalize one’s research in a meaningful way. This ESA Summer School wishes to provide a platform for both learning about this specific form of writing, and a creative and supportive environment to finalize a manuscript during the course.

The Summer School is aimed to work as an aid for PhD students struggling with an article manuscript in progress. You are welcome to apply if you currently work with a manuscript. The text can be a manuscript in the finalizing stage before initial submission, or after a review process, working with the final editing. The requirement is that you have a full text in English to work on, a draft that can be circulated among participants by June 28th 2010.

The Summer School is co-organized by the Sociology Departments of University of Turku and University of Helsinki, and the ESA. The Summer School takes place in a beautiful setting in the archipelago of Finland, the Archipelago Research Institute of University of Turku in Seili, Nauvo. The venue provides a peaceful historic environment for writing and discussions, with sea, nature, and the midnight sun.


ESA covers all costs for the course, the accommodation and all meals. Students will need to cover their own travel to Turku. There are low budget flights to Turku (SAS, AirBaltic, WizzAir) and Helsinki (all major companies, 2 hours by train or bus from Turku), and a ferry connection from Stockholm. Students must bring their own computers.

The deadline for applications is April 12 2010. 20 students will be selected. In the application include following documents, all compiled to one attachment, and email it to esassseili@gmail.com:

1. a brief cover letter with a short description of yourself, your PhD project, and where in the process you are right now,
2. a CV,
3. a maximum 500 word abstract of your manuscript, with an indication of which journal you intend to submit it or have already submitted,
4. If you can submit a full draft of a manuscript please do so.

Selection criteria: Quality of application, yet diversity in terms of gender, university, nationality and sociological themes will be addressed.

The list of participants will be announced within April 2010. For further information email Elina Oinas, Director of the ESA Summer School 2010, at elina.oinas@utu.fi.