

# COURSE DETAIL

## ACADEMIC WRITING

**Country**

Netherlands

**Host Institution**

Leiden University College

**Program(s)**

Leiden University College

**UCEAP Course Level**

Lower Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

English

**UCEAP Course Number**

50

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

ACADEMIC WRITING

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

ACADEMIC WRITING

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## **Course Description**

Academic Writing is a group of courses that offer an introduction to a particular academic discipline including political art history, the history of international relations, and legal history. The Academic Writing courses not only differ in terms of their subject but also the periods they cover, which range from the Middle Ages to today's world. However, what the courses do share is that while you are learning about their specific subject, they all teach, step by step, how to write and do research at Leiden University College. Every Academic Writing course consists of two blocks. In the first block, the writing part of the course covers the stages and skills involved in the composition of an academic argument, including close reading, finding and evaluating sources, developing a thesis, using textual evidence, organizing ideas with clarity, citation and referencing as well as strategies for planning and revision. It also addresses the subjects of styling and formatting, and students learn how to examine and evaluate their peers' texts and to provide constructive feedback. Particular attention is paid to the subject of plagiarism and how to avoid it. The focus of the second block of the course is on research and this part of the course takes students through every step of the research essay, from how to prepare and write a research proposal to adding the final touches. Throughout the block, students work in a research group and learn how to collaborate in a number of important academic activities, most notably the research presentation. The descriptions of the specific courses are posted closer to the start of the semester. Students must read the descriptions carefully before selecting a section as it will be very difficult, if not impossible, to move to another course after registration is over.

## **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

## **Host Institution Course Number**

8001Y101Y

## **Host Institution Course Title**

ACADEMIC WRITING

## **Host Institution Campus**

Leiden University College, The Hague

**Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

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