

SV9107 – International publishing

Course content

This course provides an introduction to international publishing for PhD candidates in the social sciences.

The PhD candidates will gain insights into the different phases and challenges that are typically encountered in international publication of peer-reviewed journals and books, such as preparation, submission, revision and resubmission. The course will also foster PhD candidates to reflect upon ethical aspects of the peer-review and publication process.

Learning outcome

Knowledge

Candidates will:

- develop knowledge of the peer review process.

Skills

Candidates will know how to:

- make an overview of the most important publication outlets for their PhD research, and a (preliminary) plan and publication strategy for their doctoral work.
- organize the work in the different phases of international publications (preparation, submission, revision and resubmission).

Competences

Candidates:

- have developed the ability for critical thinking, particularly with respect to the ethical aspects of international publishing (e.g. relationships with co-authors and the supervisor, ownership of data and ideas, research misconduct, open access and societal impacts).
- are able to start planning the international publication of some of their PhD work.
- gain insight into the interdisciplinarity of the PhD programme and how researchers may view matters from different perspectives

Admission

The course is compulsory for all candidates on the PhD programme at the Faculty of Social Sciences.

PhD candidates must each semester register for classes and examinations through [Studentweb](#).

The deadline for registering is February 1st for courses in the spring semester and September 1st for courses in the autumn semester.

This course is only available for candidates admitted to the PhD programme at the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Oslo.

Overlapping courses

- 1 credits overlap with [SGO9007 – How to publish in high–level international journals \(discontinued\)](#)
- 1 credits overlap with [SOS9007 – How to publish in high–level international journals \(discontinued\)](#)
- 2 credits overlap with PSY9300

Teaching

Lectures

Compulsory activities

- 75% attendance on both instruction days.
- Active participation is required.
- Approved compulsory attendance is valid for the next two semesters the course is offered.

Examination

Essay

The essay:

- will present an overview and discussion of the most important publication outlets (international journals and/or book publishers) that are relevant for the candidate's PhD research.
- will seek to map important publication outlets in the student's field of research, and discuss advantages and challenges of different publication strategies that will be followed during the course of the PhD.
- will be between 2000-5000 words. Cover page, abstract, illustrations and list of references come in addition.
- will have Times New Roman, font size 12, and a line and paragraph spacing of 1.5.
- For source references and quotations, please use a style template established for your own discipline.

You must pass the compulsory activities in order to hand in your essay.

Submit assignments in Inspira

You submit your assignment in the digital examination system Inspira. [Read about how to submit your assignment.](#)

Use of sources and citation

You should familiarize yourself with the rules that apply to [the use of sources and citations](#). If you violate the rules, you may be suspected of [cheating/attempted cheating](#).

Language of examination

The language of examination is English.

Grading scale

Grades are awarded on a pass/fail scale. Read more about [the grading system](#).

Explanations and appeals

- [Explanation of grades and appeals](#)

Resit an examination

- [Illness at exams / postponed exams](#)
- [Resitting an examination](#)

Withdrawal from an examination

It is possible to take the exam up to 3 times. If you [withdraw from the exam](#) after the deadline or during the exam, this will be counted as an examination attempt.

Special examination arrangements

Application form, deadline and requirements for [special examination arrangements](#).

Evaluation

The course is subject to continuous evaluation. At regular intervals we also ask students to participate in a more comprehensive evaluation.

Confirmation of the course

If you need confirmation on passing this course, you must do this [through Studentweb](#) and use the description on this web page for information. We do not give out course confirmations in other ways.