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Université catholique de Louvain

UCL

Seminar on Writing for Communication

6.0 credits

10.0 h + 20.0 h

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Teacher(s) :	Antoine Frédéric ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	In the first instance, the seminar will equip students with a grounding in writing for communication and at the same time put them in a related experimental situation. Next, the first basic principles will be challenged as students are introduced to a wide range of forms which fall within this umbrella heading. Students will come across a whole range of configurations, from the simplest, most common ones to the most creative and original. They will be taught to look critically at the process of public writing and how it is used. The two parts of the course will be taught by two different lecturers working in collaboration.
Aims :	By the end of this course, students should have acquired the bases of "public writing", i.e. of writing intended for a wide audience. They will have to demonstrate an ability to position themselves vis-à-vis the wide variety of forms of communicative writing, to take on board its processes and to develop a critical appreciation of its requirements The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Content :	The seminar is organised as a workshop, with presentations, practical work and evaluations. The introductory sessions will take the form of lectures with illustrations. The practical sessions will comprise both exercises done in class and longer-term projects, done by students between sessions. Students will be introduced to the basic elements of writing for communication (legibility, selectivity, hierarchisation, structuring) in parallel with experimenting in writing in different written styles(slogans, administrative texts, re-transcriptions, reports, agency writings, journalistic writing, rewriting)After this, students will get the opportunity to experiment with more creative styles (strip cartoons, photo novels, scripts, and fictional accounts).
Other infos :	Evaluation: The evaluation will be based on the exercises and work completed during the seminar. Course materials: Students should refer to the new version (to appear) of the book Ecrire au quotidien (Writing day by day). Supervision: The exercises and practical work involved in both parts of the course are supervised by assistants who run the sessions and correct the work.
Cycle and year of study :	> Preparatory year for Master in Performing Arts > Bachelor in Information and Communication
Faculty or entity in charge:	СОМИ