

# Course Descriptions None 2025-2026

Course Title Research Communication Skills  
 Course Code EBS4021  
 ECTS Credits 4,0  
 Assessment Pass / Fail

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Level Advanced  
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 Language of instruction English  
 Goals The objectives of this skills training are as follows:

- To increase your awareness of the range of issues that needs to be considered when preparing and delivering a presentation for a multilingual and multicultural audience.
- To give you some practice at delivering a formal presentation in English, using your fellow participants as the audience.
- To give you specific feedback on the structure of your presentation, your delivery skills, vocal and verbal performance, body language, and use of visuals.
- To make you aware of the criteria against which you will be viewed and assessed by your audience in a real, live situation.
- To make you aware of how to prepare and deliver a poster presentation, and to practise delivering it to a real audience and field relevant questions.

After this training, do not expect perfection immediately – it is normal to have to check words and expressions and to ask for advice. You should be able to give constructive advice to your peers, and to recognize what your strong points are and where you need to improve.

Description Giving formal presentations in English need not be painful, although it will inevitably be not without its challenges. Our aim is to try to minimise any perceived difficulties and to offer you the chance to practice your topic-specific and general language, give a presentation in a controlled and monitored environment, and to give feedback where it is helpful to do so.

The course covers the wide range of issues that need to be considered when conducting or preparing to give presentations in English in a multilingual and multicultural environment. It focuses on your delivery skills and, in addition, it covers vocabulary and expressions that are valuable in effective formal communication.

You will be required to deliver three prepared oral presentation during the course and also to deliver a poster presentation to a real audience.

Literature There is no literature required for this skill.

Prerequisites <p>Only for research master students and PhD students.</p>

Transitional Regulations <div class="trreg"><div class="subtitle">TRANSITIONAL REGULATIONS</div><ul class="trcohorts"><li>Master Business Research</li><li>Master Business Research - Operations Research</li></ul><ol><li>In 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 education and exam/resit opportunities are offered.</li><li>In 2026-2027 exam/resit opportunities are offered.</li><li>From 2027-2028 onwards, the course is cancelled.</li></ol><table><col style="width: 200px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><thead><tr><th>Academic Year</th><th>Education</th><th>Exam/Resit</th><th>Replacement(s)</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>2024-2025 - 2025-2026</td><td>X</td><td>X</td><td>&nbsp;</td></tr><tr><td>2026-2027</td><td>&nbsp;</td><td>X</td><td>&nbsp;</td></tr><tr><td>2027-2028 onwards</td><td>&nbsp;</td><td>&nbsp;</td><td>&nbsp;</td></tr></tbody></table></div>

Teaching methods PBL / Presentation / Assignment

Assessment methods Attendance / Participation / Oral Exam

Evaluation in previous academic year For the complete evaluation of this course please click <http://iwio-sbe.maastrichtuniversity.nl/rapporten.asp?referrer=codeUM>

This course belongs to the following programme / specialisation

Master Business Research - No specialisation	Transitional Regulation
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