

Course Descriptions None 2026-2027

Course Title Writing a Referee Report
 Course Code EBS4024
 ECTS Credits 4,0
 Assessment Pass / Fail

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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Level Advanced

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Language of instruction English

Goals Scientific researchers are supposed to contribute to the peer reviewing process of scientific journals. The skill of writing a good referee report is a competence to be acquired in becoming a complete scientist. In this course, students are trained in a practical way in the writing of a report.

Description There is one opening lecture in which tips and tricks are provided. Next, students write a referee report for a chosen paper. Finally, students read each others' reports and discuss on them in a closing session, where also the lecturer provides his/her feedback on the reports.

Literature Links to articles with tips for writing referee reports will be made available on the course website.

Prerequisites <p>This skill is only available to research master students who are missing 2 ECTS or less in their study plan in order to graduate. Small ECTS deficits arise if students have taken courses outside UM with different ECTS per course.</p>

Transitional Regulations <div class="trreg"><ul class="trcohorts">Master Business Research - No specialisationMaster Business Research - Operations ResearchIn 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 education and exam/resit opportunities are offered.In 2026-2027 exam/resit opportunities are offered.From 2027-2028 onwards, the course is cancelled.<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> </td></tr><tr><td>2026-2027</td><td> </td><td>X</td><td> </td></tr><tr><td>2027-2028 onwards</td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr></tbody></table></div>

Teaching methods PBL / Lecture / Assignment

Assessment methods Final Paper

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	In transition - Year 2 Elective Skills
Master Business Research - Operations Research	In transition - Year 2 Elective Skills
Master Economic and Financial Research - Econometrics and Operations Research	Year 2 Elective Skills
Master Economic and Financial Research - No specialisation	Year 2 Elective Skills