

PHDOF903 / 2025H
Literature Review and Publishing for PhD Candidates
PhD Course in Transferable Skills

University of Bergen, Arts and Humanities Library

Where:

University of Bergen, Arts and Humanities Library, Haakon Shetelig's plass 7

When:

August 26, 11-12 (orientation meeting on Zoom: Requirements and expectations)

September 2, 10-12, basement floor (voluntary, introduction to Endnote)

September 2, 12-14, basement floor (voluntary, introduction to Zotero)

September 9-11 + October 15, basement floor (classes: 3 days + 5 working weeks + 1 day)

September 16, 13-16, first floor (voluntary, Shut up and Write-session)

Who:

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Course pages: <https://mitt.uib.no/courses/56101> (in preparation)

In preparation of the course:

- Please bring your own laptop, and make sure that you have access to UiB's computer systems (user name and password for your account at UiB).
- Ensure to have a reference management system installed on your computer before the course.
(<https://www.uib.no/en/ub/79568/endnote-and-other-referencing-tools>)
- Watch the video clips on searching literature:
<https://www.uib.no/en/ub/121564/how-search-oria>
- Read more:
https://mitt.uib.no/courses/50040/pages/in-preparation-of-the-course?module_item_id=561045

Mandatory exercises in advance of the course:

- Exercise 1: Please have a brief presentation of your PhD-project prepared for our first day. The presentation should be concise (about 2-3 minutes) and give an account of your thesis topic and of the aims and challenges concerning the literature review of your project

- Exercise 2: Find and read a dissertation within your field of research, identify strengths and weaknesses regarding literature review and structure of thesis

Required Previous Knowledge:

Basic knowledge of a reference management tool. We offer introductions to Endnote and Zotero: September 2, 10-12/12-14 AM, Arts and Humanities Library, basement

Program:

Day 1: Reviewing literature and types of reviews (9.9., 09.00-15.00, Michael Grote / Pål Steiner)

- Introduction: Literature review and publishing for PhD candidates (09.00-09.15)
- Aims and challenges: Presentation of PhD-projects (group work, 09.15-10.00)
- Reviewing literature and types of reviews (10.15-12.00)
- Lunch (12.00-13.00)
- Examples from literature reviews in the humanities (13.00-14.00)
- Introduction AI and research integrity (14.15-15.00)

Day 2: Searching and reference management (10.9., 09.00-15.00, Michael Grote / Pål Steiner / Erik Arnesen / Gry Ane Lavik / Emma Aadland)

- Literature search (9.00-12.00)
- Lunch break (12.00-13.00)
- Appraisal of search results (13.00-14.00)
- Workshop reference management: Individual work with Q&A (14.15-15.00)

Day 3: Writing and workflow issues (11.9., 09.00-15.00, Michael Grote / Pål Steiner / Emma Aadland)

- Structuring your literature review (9.00-11.00)
- Workflow and writing process (11.15-12.00)
- Lunch (12.00-13.00)
- UB Digital Lab (13.00-13.15)
- Writing with AI: Workshop (13.15-14.30)
- Assignment and working plan: tasks for the following work weeks (14.30-15.00)

5 weeks of workshop:

- Individual work on your literature review
- Shut up and write-workshop (September 16, 13.15-16.00)
- Peer-to-peer reviewing on Mitt UiB
- By appointment:
Individual tutorials with the academic librarians at the University of Bergen Library
 - Introduction to specialist databases
 - Writing in the disciplines: Specific standards of referencing, genre of thesis, workflow, ...
 - Meet the academic librarian of your subject

Day 4: Publishing, research integrity and open science (15.10., 09.00-15.00, Michael Grote / Daniel Øvrebø / Ida Juhasz / Eli Heldaas Seland)

- Discussion of results / Literature review and dissertation (09.00-10.00)
- Open science: What, why and how? (10.15-11.00)
- Copyright (11.15-12.00)
- Lunch (12.00-13.00)
- The publication process: Strategy and impact (13.00-14.00)
- The peer review process (14.15-14.45)
- Resume (14.45-15.00)