



**University
of Basel**

Graduate Center



Transferable Skills

Fall 2026
Start Online Registration: August 5, 2026 at 9:00 am
Scientific Tools

Career Funding for PhDs – Overview and Services	Docs	Sep 17
Coaching Skills for Supervising Bachelor and Master Theses	Docs & Postdocs	Sep 22/23
“Digitally Fit” – How and Why to Integrate Digital Literacy Development into Academic Teaching	Docs & Postdocs	Sep 24
Career Funding for Postdocs – Overview and Services	Adv. Docs & Postdocs	Sep 24
Teaching Transformational Sustainability Science (blended learning)	Docs & Postdocs	Sep 24, Oct 29/30, Nov 19
Exploring AI für Science Communication	Docs & Postdocs	Sep 30, Oct 2
Python Crash Course (for Beginners) (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 5/6/12/13
Introduction to Statistics	Docs	Oct 12/26
Introduction to LaTeX	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 13/20
Introduction to Applied AI for Researchers	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 19/23
Informationsdesign – verständliche und ansprechende Gestaltung von Print- und digitalen Medien (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 26, Nov 2
Introduction to Research Data Management using LabKey	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 29
Stochastic Parrots and Beyond: Normative Dimensions of Generative AI	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 4
Ihr Werkzeugkoffer für die digitale Lehre an der Universität Basel (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 19
Understanding LLMs (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 20
Navigating the World of Open Access Publishing	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 25
Introduction to Machine Learning (with Python) (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 30, Dec 1/7/8
Useful Tools for Reference Management and Avoiding Plagiarism (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Dec 2/9
Opening Higher Education - How to Strengthen University Teaching in Open Educational Resource (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Dec 3
The Impact of AI on Scientific Literature: Navigating Emerging Challenges in the Scientific Information Landscape	Docs & Postdocs	Dec 10
Good Scientific Practice and Its Pitfalls in Every-Day Research	Docs	Dec 16/17
Human–AI Synergy and the Jagged Frontier of Generative AI	Docs & Postdocs	Jan 7/8
AI-Assisted Coding and Modern Workflows (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Jan 15/22/29

Writing & Publishing

SciLib Forum 2026 – AI or Human in the Loop?	Docs & Postdocs	Sep 22/23
Writing to Be Published (online)	Docs	Sep 28/29, Oct 5/6
Effizient wissenschaftlich schreiben: der Weg zum Text – mit und ohne KI	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 13
Writing Productivity: Tools and Techniques	Docs	Oct 21
How to Use Generative AI for Academic Writing: Basics, Ethics, Procedures, and Hacks	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 3/10/17/24

Communication

Presentation Training	Docs & Postdocs	Sep 15/18
Crafting Clear Messages: How to Make Yourself Understood and Achieve Your Goals	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 9/16, Nov 2

Storytelling for Researchers	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 21
Converting Scientific Information into a Captivating Story	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 27/28
Raus mit der Sprache! Stimme und Körpersprache als Erfolgsfaktoren	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 23/24
Out of the Box! Visualize Your Science	Docs & Postdocs	Jan 15/22

Professional Self-Competence

Intuitive Decision Making (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Sep 17/18
Learning How to Lead and to Build a Successful Work Environment	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 6/7
“Bounce Back”: Practical Tools to Boost Your Resilience (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 7/14
Konstruktive Konfliktlösung	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 14/15
Project Management - A Toolbox for Scientists	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 29/30
Self-Branding and Self-Promotion	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 5/6
Better Small Talk and Effective Networking	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 11
Power Games and Micropolitical Competence (online)	Adv. Docs & Postdocs	Nov 12/13
Stress Management in Performance Situations	Docs & Postdocs	Dec 7
Negotiation Skills for Your Career in Academia or Business (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Dec 11
Time Management (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Dec 14/15
Project Management in Research	Docs & Postdocs	Jan 5/6

Career & Innovation

Starting Your Career Outside Academia (online)	Adv. Docs & Postdocs	Sep 15/16/21/22
Beyond Academia: Design Your Job Search Strategy with AI-Powered Guidance	Docs & Postdocs	Sep 16/24
Writing Attractive CVs and Cover Letters (online)	Docs	Sep 25
Writing Attractive CVs and Cover Letters as Postdoctoral Fellows (online)	Postdocs	Oct 16
LinkedIn for Researchers (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Oct 23/30
What's Next After the PhD? (online)	Docs	Nov 9/16
IP and Patent Rights: A Tool to Turn Research Discoveries into Impactful Innovations	Docs & Postdocs	Nov 18
From PhD to Innovator: Introduction to Design Thinking and Entrepreneurship (online)	Docs & Postdocs	Dec 10/11/17

Courses for PhD Candidates of the Faculty of Science

Improving Your Scientific Writing with AI		Sep 25, Oct 9
How to Give a Persuasive Presentation in the Natural and Life Sciences – offline and online (blended learning)		Sep 30, Oct 8
Writing Process in Natural Sciences: From Research to Publication (online)		Oct 5/19, Nov 2/16
Writing Workflow: Forming Your Next Article in the Natural and Life Sciences (blended learning)		Oct 28, Nov 11/25, Dec 9
Managing Projects in the Natural & Life Sciences and Beyond		Nov 5/6
Storytelling, Message Distilling and Presentation Design for Natural and Life Scientists		Dec 1/2
Project Management in Research for Natural and Life Scientists		Jan 7/8
Engage, Inform, Inspire: Presentation Skills for Natural and Life Sciences		Jan 18/28

Courses for PhD Candidates of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and the Faculty of Theology

Finding a Post-Academic Career in the Social Sciences and Humanities	Oct 8/22
Levels of Complexity: How to Pitch your Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences	Oct 12/14
Applied AI for Humanities and Social Science Research	Nov 9/12
Angewandte KI für die geistes- und sozialwissenschaftliche Forschung	Nov 16/19
Preparing and Holding Presentations Effectively (in German or English) in the Social Sciences and Humanities	Dec 1/4

The program for the spring semester will be online in December 2026, registration starts on January 13, 2027.



Go to the online Transferable Skills program!



Ziele

Das Kursangebot der überfachlichen Kompetenzen unterstützt Forschende während der Promotionsphase und bereitet auf neue und weiterführende Forschungs- und Berufstätigkeiten inner- und ausserhalb der Universität vor.

Inhalte

Das Kursangebot ist nach den ECTS-Grundsätzen und internationalen Standards konzipiert. Bei der Konzeption fliessen die Evaluationsergebnisse aus den jeweiligen Kursen mit ein. Das gesamte Angebot wird von anerkannten Fachpersonen durchgeführt und auf Deutsch und Englisch angeboten.

Teilnahmebestätigung

Eine Teilnahmebestätigung wird nur bei bestandenem Leistungsnachweis und lückenloser Teilnahme ausgestellt.

Kreditpunkte

ECTS-Punkte werden nach bestandenem Training gegen Ende des Semesters (Ende Januar/Juli) automatisch auf das Leistungskonto des/der Teilnehmenden übertragen und erscheinen in der Leistungsübersicht.

Anmeldung

Alle Kurse werden zu Beginn des neuen Semesters gleichzeitig zur Online-Anmeldung geöffnet und die Plätze nach 24 stündiger Anmeldeperiode per Los vergeben. Pro Person können nicht mehr als drei Kurse pro Semester besucht werden. Die Kurse sind Doktorierenden und Postdocs der Universität Basel sowie Doktorierenden des European Campus oder einer der EPICUR-Allianzen vorbehalten und kostenfrei.

Rücktritt, Fernbleiben oder unvollständiger Kursbesuch

Abmeldungen sind bis zum Ende der Anmeldefrist möglich. Während den Kursen gilt eine vollständige Anwesenheitspflicht. Bei unentschuldigtem Fernbleiben vom Kurs oder Abmeldung nach Ablauf der Anmeldefrist wird eine Gebühr von 30 CHF erhoben sowie der/die Teilnehmende für die Kursanmeldung im nächsten Semester nicht berücksichtigt und aus anderen Kursen im selben Semester wieder ausgetragen. Die Details können unibas.ch/transferableskills entnommen werden.

Goals

The transferable skills training supports researchers during their dissertation period and prepares them for a professional career inside or outside of academia.

Content

The courses in transferable skills were specifically implemented on behalf of the individual needs of the faculties and PhD programs, based on international guidelines and ECTS standards. All courses are led by experts in the field and offered in German and English.

Certificate of Attendance

Successful completion of all tasks and perfect attendance are required for a certificate.

Credit Points

After successful completion of the training, ECTS credits will automatically be transferred to the participant's credit points account towards the end of the semester (end of January/July) and will appear in the academic progress summary.

Registration

All courses are opened for online registration at the same time at the beginning of the new semester and the places will be allocated by lot after a registration period of 24 hours. Participation is limited to three courses per semester and per person. The courses are free of charge and reserved for doctoral candidates and postdocs of the University of Basel as well as doctoral candidates from the European Campus or one of the partners of the EPICUR alliance.

Withdrawal, Absence or Partial Course Attendance

Course registrations can only be canceled before the registration period ends. Full course attendance is mandatory. Participants who fail to attend a course without prior notification or withdraw after the registration deadline are subject to a fee of CHF 30 and will not be considered for course registration in the following semester and will be removed from other courses offered in the same semester. For further details, please visit unibas.ch/transferableskills.



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