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Do you want to improve the English grammar in your research article manuscripts? This seminar aims to help NAIST researchers deal with the issue of accuracy and in particular grammar errors in research writing. Participants in this seminar will be guided through the most frequent grammar errors and given a series of exercises to help identify and correct those errors.

Wednesday, December 15 15:10 - 16:40

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Target

This seminar is aimed at all NAIST researchers, both faculty and students, who are actively using English to publish research and who want to improve the quality of their research article manuscripts.

Seminar Abstract

The use of English as a lingua franca in science has enabled the communication of research on a global scale; however, the high level of accuracy demanded in English for academic publication can present significant challenges to researchers, especially those for who English is an additional language. This seminar aims to help participants to better deal with the issue of accuracy and specifically grammar errors in research writing. Participants will be guided through the top-ten most frequent grammar errors in research writing and given exercises to help them identify and correct those errors. The seminar is aimed at all NAIST researchers, both faculty and students, who are actively using English to publish research in international journals. Participants are asked to bring to the seminar a sample of their own research writing for exercises during the seminar; for example, a page or two (digital or paper) from a research article that you are currently or recently working on would be ideal.

Important Note

Participants are encouraged to bring a sample of their own research writing to work on during the seminar; for example, one or two pages (digital or paper) from a manuscript you are currently or recently working on would be ideal (but not necessary). This seminar is conducted in English.



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For more Information & Registration



Registration is not necessary but encouraged in order to know the number of participants.