

Course evaluation SV9107 autumn 2024

The PhD course in «International Publishing» held in the fall 2024 has followed by and large the same structure and content as in previous years. In this course and previous ones, the PhD students consider the course useful and have not pointed out so far the need to introduce major changes.

The only change introduced in the 2024 course is the addition of one new lecture on “AI and international publishing”. The lecture presents an overview of possible uses of AI for research (with a focus on PhD students and early-stage young researchers), it discusses the benefits and possible risks, as well as the related ethical questions in terms of international publishing. This topic is becoming increasingly important, and the participants have expressed interest in this new lecture.

One aspect that this course should improve in the future refers to the group discussion in session 2, where representatives from different Departments of the Faculty organize a group discussion with the PhD students of their respective Department. In the last years, it has sometimes been difficult to find representatives for some of the Departments to contribute to this session of the course (simply due to difficulties to finding available dates for the invited lecturers). Ideally, it would be better in the future to have the same representative from each Department for a certain number of years, instead of looking for new representatives every year.