# MASTER Economic Expertise (EE)



Plan de cours

Technics for Writing in Economics

MASTER Economic Expertise
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Master 1- Semestre 1



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## Objectifs de l'enseignement

### course overview

This course is intended to introduce *Methods of writing* in economics to students, so that by the end of the course, students will be able to draft a short Report which includes some Technical materials (methodology box, Commented Tables, Executive summary, Policy recommendations.) to answer the questions of their interest.

Students will have to read Policy Briefs, Notes, Reports... They will have to assess both their own work and the work of their classmates during the course.

### **Learning outcomes**

The student will be able to:

- 1. Recognize the type of any writing related to Economics
- 2. Understand and comply to any editing constraints
- 3. Learn how to structure writing, draft clear and concise paragraphs, present Tables and Figures....
- 4. Draft a short Report on an Economic Issue
- 5. Draft an Executive Summary

**Special event related to the course:** « Les journées de l'économie » <u>JECO</u>, 17, 18, 19 november 2020, à Lyon

The students will:

- 1. Follow in direct policy-oriented debate on a large variety of topics
- 2. Apply for participating in person to the JECO and meet Economic Experts ( 4 grants available to support travel and accommodation expenses)

# **Pré-requis**

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### No pre-requisite.

# Organisation de l'enseignement/ Evaluation

### **Evaluation**

Student will work individually on their own writing project.

The grade for the course will be based on

- Class participation (20%),
- In class presentation (20%)
- Report writing (50 %)
- Report evaluation (10%)

Organization of the Lectures

**Lecture 1:** Presentation of the different type of writings in Economics/ Presentation of the assignment and tools / Choice of an economic Issue by Students

Lecture 2: Presentation of editing constraints / Check the advancement of reading by Students,

**Lecture 3**: Presentation of how to structure a short report/essay on a research question /Help students with structuring their report/essay, choosing their arguments

**Lecture 4**, Presentation of how to draft efficient paragraphs, present Tables and Figures.../Help students with their drafting

Lecture 5 and 6 Students present their Writings / Student evaluate their classmates writings

# **Eléments Bibliographiques**

### Some useful References

Dudenhefer (2009) A Guide to Writing in Economics, Duke University available online here

How to write a Report , Open Polytechnic Course, available online <a href="here">here</a>

Dawn Powers (2012) *How to Write a Research Paper in Economics*, Berkeley University available online <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>