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Softskil-Seminar

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Derek Handley is a freelance science writer, editor and consultant who works with corporate and academic clients to improve the clarity of their communications. His workshops help participants to find their voice and refine their writing and presentation styles, ensuring they always get their message across. He has been working as a teacher and trainer alongside his scientific communications work for over 20 years. He also runs workshops on career building, interview techniques, and social media for science communications

Motivation



Great science deserves to reach its audience:
that's why every scientist should strive to
be a good communicator.

Current position

- since 2005** **Freelance science writer and editor** with clients in the pharmaceutical, molecular biology and biotechnology sectors
- since 2000** **Freelance communications consultant and language trainer**

Previous positions

- 1995 - 2005** **Academic writing and presentation trainer** at Wroclaw University of Technology in Poland
- since 1997** **Linguistic editor** for Cell and Molecular Biology Letters

Education

- 2006 - 2008** **Communications and linguistics studies** at UCSF, San Francisco CA
- 1996 - 1997** **Teacher training** as a language trainer in Dublin, Ireland
- 1991 - 1995** **Bachelor of Science Degree** at University College Dublin, Ireland

Why me?

A deeper understanding of communication helps scientists to reach their audience, whether they are communicating with the general public, fellow experts, grant committees or reporters.

My courses on science communication cover all the concepts of importance for preparing articles and reviews, writing abstracts, creating slide decks and posters, and speaking in front of an audience. Both general courses and tailored workshops focused on particular fields of science are possible.