

Communicating in English: Speaking at University

During autumn term 2023, the Language Workshop will offer a seminar series on spoken English for international students at Uppsala University. The course is free of charge and does not give any academic credits.

Course aims: The seminars, which will be held at The English Park Campus in Uppsala, will offer opportunities to practice speaking and listening skills in a supportive and encouraging environment. The goal of the course is to improve your fluency and help you feel more comfortable and confident presenting and speaking in English.

Target group: This course is primarily intended for international Master students who are so-called free movers, and for international PhD students. Students must be registered at Uppsala University in order to take the course. Exchange students may apply for the course but will be placed on a waiting list, and offered a spot in the course if there are places vacant at the end of the registration period.

There are no language prerequisites apart from those necessary to be admitted to the university.

Teacher: Sarah Schwarz

Course literature: None.

Examination: Each student who fulfills the course attendance and participation requirements will receive a certificate. Please note that no academic credits will be given for this course.

Course format: Seminars will take place on eight Monday evenings at the English Park Campus. There will be two groups: 4:15 to 6:00 pm, and 6:15 to 8:00 pm. The first seminar will be on September 11th and the last on November 13th (see the preliminary course schedule below). There is no Zoom option for this seminar series.

Registration: In order to sign up for this course, send an email to the following address: sarah.schwarz@nordiska.uu.se. Please note that participants are signed up on a first come first served basis and that the number of participants is limited. Students who take this course cannot take the course Communicating in English: Academic Writing during the same semester.

When signing up for a course, please submit the following information:

- Name of the course you want to sign up for.
- Your own full name and Swedish personal ID number.
- Your student e-mail address (the one that ends in @*student.uu.se*).
- Your main field of study and what degree you are studying for.
- If you are an exchange student, a free mover, or a PhD student.
- Whether you prefer the early or late group.

Fee: There is no fee for this course, but only students at Uppsala University eligible.

Preliminary Schedule:

Seminars (4:15 pm–6:00 pm or 6:15 pm–8:00 pm)	Content
Sept 11	Course intro
Sept 18	Fluency practice, impromptu speaking
October 2	Speaking in groups
October 9	Presentation 1 (half class), communicative activity
October 16	Presentation 1 (half class), communicative activity
October 23	Presentation 2 (half class), communicative activity
November 6	Presentation 2 (half class), communicative activity
November 13	Course wrap up