

Academic Writing

This document provides a short outline on the BaSoTi module „**Academic Writing**“. Together with the more formalized module description it describes the framework of that module.

Motivation

During the feedback rounds of BaSoTi 2008 the students suggested more close contact and discourse with the lecturers and a higher percentage of “own work” activities.

Implementation

Since BaSoTi already is tightly packed with courses, student workload is shifted before the BaSoTi presence period.

Suggested Procedure

Every student is assigned to a lecturer by the organization.

The lecturer discusses by email with the assigned student the precise individual topic of a paper, which the student should prepare before BaSoTi. The length should be around 4 – 8 pages. Examples are:

1. A short version of the main results of the Bachelor / Master Thesis of the student, if one has been written yet
2. A topic connected with a BaSoTi-module of the lecturer
3. A topic by the free choice of the student

The student prepares a short paper and sends this to the lecturer by email, before the begin of BaSoTi.

The lecturer distributes the short papers to the other students in his group.

Before and at BaSoTi, the lecturer provides feedback and the paper is discussed in the group.

Time permitting, a student can volunteer to present his contribution at the conference, to gain further experience and practice.