**Course guides**

**32047 - SS - Seminars and Skills**

**Unit in charge:** Barcelona School of Telecommunications Engineering  
**Teaching unit:** 1022 - UAB - (ANG) pendent.

**Degree:**  
DOCTORAL DEGREE IN PHOTONICS (Syllabus 2007). (Optional subject).  
DOCTORAL DEGREE IN OPTICAL ENGINEERING (Syllabus 2007). (Optional subject).  
MASTER'S DEGREE IN PHOTONICS (Syllabus 2009). (Optional subject).  
ERASMUS MUNDUS MASTER'S DEGREE IN PHOTONICS ENGINEERING, NANOPHOTONICS AND BIOPHOTONICS (Syllabus 2010). (Optional subject).

**Academic year:** 2015  
**ECTS Credits:** 2.5  
**Languages:** English

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**LECTURER**

**Coordinating lecturer:** Philip Banks

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**TEACHING METHODOLOGY**

Presencial Teaching + activities

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**LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE SUBJECT**

The main aim of this course is to develop participants' ability to express themselves in English, both orally and in writing, on subjects related to the contents of the MSc in Photonics as a whole.  
It is envisaged that participants will primarily want:  
· to gain confidence and oral fluency, especially when speaking in public;  
· to be able to write sort of texts most commonly needed in an academic environment (abstracts, reports, posters, summaries, etc.).  
For this reason, much of the course will involve the active participation of the students.  
However, it may also include an element of listening comprehension as well as the grammar necessary to improve participants' productive skills.

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**CONTENTS**

- Presentation skills
- Writing skills  
- Grammar and vocabulary
GRADING SYSTEM

- attendance and participation;
- weekly written assignments;
- oral presentations throughout the course;
- a short final written project

EXAMINATION RULES.

The usual in University teaching