



# Department of Genetics

## Nanocourse Announcement

### From Pipette to Pen: Science Writing for General Audiences

***Session 1: Monday October 15  
3:30 –6:30 pm, HMS Cannon Room, Building C***

***Sessions 2 & 3: Mondays October 22 & 29  
4:30 –6:30 pm, Registered participants only***

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In the era of fake news and alternative facts, communicating science clearly and effectively to the general public is more important than ever. From tweets to Facebook posts to news articles, there are countless media through which we can bring science to people from all walks of life. This nanocourse offers the opportunity to learn the basics of science writing for general, non-academic audiences through small group discussions and interactive workshops. Additionally, this course will include a panel of expert science writers from PBS NOVA, STAT, Addgene, and more to answer questions and offer advice for any scientist hoping to better communicate about science with beyond academia. Topics will include the basics of science writing, giving feedback and editing, and effectively engaging a diverse array of audiences through various forms of media. Finally, registered participants will compose, edit, and revise a piece of scientific writing from start to finish with the help of professional science writers, with the ultimate goal of publication in a media outlet. This course is appropriate for any student interested in science communication, regardless of experience or background.

**All are welcome to attend the first session.**

**Register for the later sessions at [nanosandothercourses.hms.harvard.edu/node/442](https://nanosandothercourses.hms.harvard.edu/node/442).**