# **DOCTORAL PROGRAMME**

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University of Bern | Center for the Study of Language and Society University of Fribourg | Institute of Multilingualism

## **SOCIOLINGUISTIC ANALYSIS CLINIC** Broaching Problems in Sociolinguistic Research

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### Abstract

This workshop focuses on "problems" encountered in the research process in the field of sociolinguistics and how to overcome them. This includes all aspects of research, from conceptualizing a research project, to data collection, to interpretation and analysis. Based on concrete problems brought by the participants as well as by the invited lecturers, the workshop aims to provide participants with analytical tools for understanding, managing and/or overcoming research problems. Through small group consultations with our two seasoned lecturers as well as exchanges with peers, the workshop also aims to develop an understanding of "problems" as an inherent component of the research process, and of "troubleshooting" (in a metaphorical sense) as a valuable and productive tool for knowledge production.





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#### Application

Participating students are requested to remain in residence throughout the 2-day workshop, if feasible. To apply to participate, please provide a brief description of your current research (max. 1 page). Note that space is limited and will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

<u>For UNIFR participants</u>: Please send both documents to Philippe Humbert (philippe.humbert@unifr.ch) by July 10, 2023.

For UNIBE participants: Please send both documents to Eva Kuske (eva.kuske@unibe.ch) by July 10, 2023.

#### Practicalities

The workshop will take place at the Hotel Bad Muntelier am See, located in Muntelier close to Murten-Morat on the shores of the picturesque Lake Morat (www.hotel-bad-muntelier.ch). You can reach Muntelier or Murten-Morat very frequently throughout the day by regional train from Bern and Fribourg.

#### Fees

The workshop is free of charge for PhD students from the universities of Bern and Fribourg and includes accommodation in single rooms and full board.