

PRBB Intervals Course

1. **Course Title** Interview and job application skills in science
2. **Dates** 19th October & 8th November 2023
3. **Course Language** English
4. **Course Leaders** Roser Pinyol: research scientist at IDIBAPS & entrepreneur at BIOcomuniCA'T
Interviews: TBC
5. **Course Aim** To improve general interview skills by learning to prepare a scientific CV and cover letter, and subsequently, by participating in mock interviews with principal investigators.
6. **Learning objectives** The course will help scientists to (a) prepare their CV and cover letter to apply for a scientific position, and (b) prepare for a job interview by giving them a chance to practice in mock interviews.
7. **Training methods** Interactive discussions of materials (CV and cover letter) prepared in advance by the participant. Practical training by participating in mock interviews with principal investigator
8. **Target group in PRBB** Senior PhD students and junior postdocs

9. **Course programme:**

DAY 1 (October 19th 2023): The workshop will begin with a general introduction on how to write a successful CV and cover letter. Then, participants will engage in group discussions to improve their CVs and cover letters. In the last part of the session, aspects related to interviews will be assessed.

DAY 2 (November 8th 2023): During the second session of the course, participants will have the opportunity to gain practical experience by being interviewed by PIs from the PRBB. **Important!!** Participants willing to participate in this second session will need to **submit their CV and cover letter before October 26th, 14.00 CET**. These documents will be sent to the PIs for the "DAY 2" interviews. Each interview will last approx. 10-15 minutes. The PIs may also review and provide feedback about the CV and cover letter of each participant. If possible, we will close the session with a mock panel interview.

10. **Course preparation**

Participants will need to submit a CV and cover letter during the course.

11. **Material participants need to bring**

If participants wish to take notes or update their CV or cover letter during the course, they might bring their own laptop (with charged batteries since there might not be enough plugs for everyone).