

Research seminar I: Professor seminar

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Objectives:

The goal of the “Professor seminar” is to develop critical thinking skills through both seminar participation and writing of referee reports. You have to attend the *Economic Analysis, Econometrics and Finance Seminars* which take place at THEMA (usually) on Thursday. You will have to write a referee report on (at least) one of the papers presented in this seminar. By the end of the term, you will have learned how to read a research paper, how to replace it in the literature, how to identify its strengths and weaknesses and how to write an effective referee report. You will receive personalized advice and may be asked to redo a task several times until you succeed.

Main reference:

Berk J.B., Campbell R. H., Hirshleifer D. , How to Write an Effective Referee Report and Improve the Scientific Review Process, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 31(1), 231–244.