

DESCRIPTION AND SYLLABUS

Name of the subject in Hungarian:	English Skills Development
Name of the subject in English:	English Skills Development
Credit value of the subject:	4
The code of the subject in the electronic study system:	BN-ENSKDE-04-GY
Classification of the subject:	Optional
Language of instruction (in case of non-Hungarian courses):	English
Institute or department responsible for the subject:	Institute of Foreign Languages
Course type and number of contact hours:	Practical, class per week: 4, class per semester: 0
Mode of study: (Full-time / Part-time):	Full-time training
The semester in which the subject is open for registration:	2022/2023 1st semester
Prerequisite(s):	-

THE PURPOSE OF THE SUBJECT, LEARNING OUTCOMES:

The aim of the course is to bring together students coming from very different backgrounds as well as make the foundation for further studies from a language point of view. The course helps students improve their general English language skills and communication skills including their presentation skills. It also provides a wide range of cultural experiences to be compared and contrasted. Students will be exposed to various tools in order to develop their language skills and competences and to reach and exceed a stable B2 level. They will be able to debate, compare and contrast, argue for and against, they will be able to define, memorize and recognize basic concepts, interpret data, apply information and experiences to analyze, discuss and present ideas and their opinion.

SUMMARY OF THE CONTENT OF THE SUBJECT

This course is tailored to develop all key language skills and to make students be able to use English as a foreign language effectively. Students are expected to analyze texts, answer questions and discuss their ideas referring to issues arising from the areas that are covered. The course is interactive and helps students learn some useful techniques necessary to improve their every day, business and academic communication and understand the relevant texts and topics. They are also expected to do individual research into certain topics and present their findings.

STUDENT'S TASKS AND PLANNED LEARNING ACTIVITIES:

The students are expected to actively take part in the lessons, complete hand-in assignments (related to class work and homework) and to make a presentation based on their research (the possible topics are listed on Coospace) using visuals and data.

EVALUATION OF THE SUBJECT:

The course has a sharp focus on diagnosis and the continual tracking of the improvement of skills with a view to exploring students' previous knowledge, interests and needs with the help of tests, assignments and various oral and written exercises. There are tests following key learning areas but the most important elements are the presentation and active participation during our classes.

Grading:

Below 60% - Fail (1)

60%-69% - Pass (2)

70%-79 - Satisfactory (3)

80%-89% - Good (4)

90%- - Excellent (5)

OBLIGATORY READING LIST:

- *Eurocity : student's book : level B2 : with free downloadable audio and video material and extra onl.* Euroexam International, 2019

RECOMMENDED READING LIST:

- Eales, Frances: *Speakout : upper intermediate : students' book with ActiveBook.* Pearson, 2011
- Latham-Koenig, Christina: *English File : Intermediate Plus Student's Book.* Oxford University Press, 2014