Study program: Class Teacher Education

Type and level of studies: Bachelor studies, first cycle degree program

Course unit: Introduction into Methodology of Teaching English as a Foreign Language

Teacher in charge: Vera Savic, PhD, Assistant Professor

Language of instruction: English

ECTS: 5 ECTS, elective

Prerequisites: Advanced level of English (B2-C1 CEFR)

Semester:Winter semester (V)

Course unit objective

Introducing student teachers into background of language learning and teaching: basic principles, theories and techniques of learning and teaching English as a foreign language; EFL teaching methods and approaches in historical perspective; factors influencing language learning and teaching; language skills; lesson planning. Students will acquire theoretical knowledge necessary for preparing lessons and teaching English as a foreign language.

Learning outcomes of Course unit

Student teacher will be able to

- Demonstrate understanding of the process of learning a foreign language
- Demonstrate understanding of English as a system (parts of speech, grammar structures, word formation, phonological system, language functions)
- Demonstrate understanding of the specifics of teaching a foreign language to learners of various ages
- Demonstrate understanding of the theories and methods of teaching English, and choose an appropriate approach depending on the teaching context
- Demonstrate understanding of techniques and activities for the development of language skills and knowledge
- Demonstrate planning of language lessons and evaluation of learner's development, taking into account all factors and specifics of a teaching context,
- Demonstrate understanding of the process of classroom management.

Course unit contents

Theoretical classes: Topics: 1. Methodology of teaching English as an academic and scientific discipline; 2. Specifics of learning and teaching a foreign language; 2. Language learning approaches, theories and methods; 3. The English language as a system: Grammar and lexis; Phonology; Language functions; 4. Language skills: speaking, listening, reading, writing; 5. Motivation; 6. Exposure and focus on form; 7. The role of error; 8. Differences between L1 and L2 learning; 9. Learner characteristics; 10. Learner needs; 11. Presentation techniques and introductory activities; 12. Practise activities and tasks; 13. Assessment types and tasks; 14. Lesson planning and use of resources for language teaching.

Practical classes: Practice tasks in each of the above topics: discussions, pair and group work, workshops, demonstrations and presentations.

References

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- 3. Nelson, J. (2012). *Overview of ESL/EFL Methods*. E-Teacher Scholarship Professional Dedvelopment Summer Workshop. Baltimore: University of Maryland.
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- 5. Harmer, J. (2007). The Practice of English Language Teaching. Harlow: Longman. DVD.
- 6. Opp-Beckman, L. & Klinghammer, S. J. (2006). Shaping the Way We Teach English. Eugene: University of Oregon. DVD
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Number of active teaching hours

Lectures: 30	Practice: 15	Other forms of classes: mentoring system	Independent work: project work, presentations	Other classes
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Teaching methods: Interactive classes and practical application of knowledge acquired; verbal-textual and analytical; pair and group work, discussions, presentations and mentoring.

Examination methods (maximum 100 points)					
Exam prerequisites	No. of points:	Final exam	No. of points:		
Student's activity during lectures	10	oral examination	-		
practical classes/tests	40	written examination	40		
seminars/homework	10	project presentation			
Project					
Other					

Grading system					
Grade	Number of points	Description			
10	91-100	Excellent			
9	81-90	Exceptionally good			
8	71-80	Very good			
7	61-70	Good			
6	51-60	Passing			
5	≤50	Failing			