Study program: Class Teacher Education, Preschool Teacher Education, Boarding School Teacher Education

Type and level of studies: Master studies, second cycle degree program

Course unit: Scientific English Language Discourse for Teachers

Teacher in charge: Vera Savić, PhD, Assistant Professor

Language of instruction: English

ECTS credits and course status: 5 ECTS, mandatory

Prerequisites: Upper-intermediate or advanced level of English (B1-B2 CEFR)

Semester: Winter Semester (I)

Course unit objective: Development and further improvement of English language knowledge, skills and competences (both receptively and productively, at B2-C1 CEFR) necessary for independent use of professional reference material in English through critical reading, writing a literature review, summary, abstract, report, and a CV, and oral presentation and discussion of professional themes.

Learning outcomes of Course unit

The student will be able to use English independently in professional communication (orally and in writing), respecting intercultural differences, understand by listening and reading professional presentations and texts (reference books and papers, audio and video material, and internet material on innovative pedagogical approaches), present project results in English, working individually, in pairs or in groups, write literature reviews, summaries, abstracts, reports and short essays for academic and professional purposes, use English as a means of acquiring knowledge, skills and information related to profession and his/her own major area of study, and independently improve his/her own language knowledge and skills using scientific and professional reference books in English (in printed or e-form).

Course unit contents

Theoretical classes

Characteristics of scientific and academic discourse in oral and written form; grammar structures typical of English for specific/academic purposes (passive structures, modals, nominal phrases, prepositional phrases, infinitive structures, participle structures, gerund structures, derivation through affixation, connectives and other cohesive devices); academic writing procedure (writing summaries, reports, essays, and presentations; referencing and citing).

Practical classes

Development of of language knowledge, skills and competences (receptivelly and productively) necessary for reading professional books, writing CV's, summaries, reports, and short essays, and for oral presentations and discussions of professional issues. Improvement of academic reading strategies by studying key and supporting ideas, predicting and inferencing, and analysing features of academic discourse and scientific genre. Expressing opinion in discussions of professional issues. Independent research of professional texts related to major subject of study, and preparing presentations. Developing interest in professional development using reference materials in English.

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| Number of active tea | umber of active teaching hours | | | Other classes: / |
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| Lectures: 30 | Practice: 30 | Other forms of classes: Mentoring system (face-to-face and electronic over emails) | Independent work: Seminar work | |

Teaching methods

Interactive classes and practical application of knowledge acquired; verbal-textual and analytical; pair and group work, discussions, presentations and mentoring: 1. Literature review; 2. Summary of a presentation; 3. Presentation of selected papers.

| | Examination methods (maximum 100 points) | | |
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| Exam prerequisites | No. of points: | Final exam | No. of points: |
| Student's activity during lectures | 10 | oral examination | 20 |
| practical classes/tests | | written examination | 20 |

| Seminars/homework | 20 | presentation. | 30 |
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| Project | | | |
| Other | | | |

| Grading system | | | | | |
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| 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 | | | |