



MODULE DESCRIPTION

Module title	Module code
English Language I/II	

Lecturer(s)	Department where the module is delivered
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Cycle	Type of the module
First	Compulsory

Mode of delivery	Semester or period when the module is delivered	Language of instruction
Face-to-face	1 st semester	English

Prerequisites
Prerequisites: Secondary school course (B1/B2).

Number of credits allocated	Student's workload	Contact hours	Self-study hours
5	130	64	66

Purpose of the module: programme competences to be developed		
<p>Purpose of the module: developing all language skills (reading, writing, speaking and listening) oriented to C1 level of Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, with application of acquired professional language skills in academic and practical activities of studies.</p> <p>Generic competences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication and collaboration (GK1). • Life-long learning (GK2). • Social responsibility (GK3). <p>Specific competences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge and skills of underlying conceptual basis (SK4). • Technological and methodological knowledge and skills, professional competence (SK6). 		
Learning outcomes of the module: students will be able to	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
Understand authentic professional texts of average linguistic complexity on Information Technology in the process of <i>listening and reading</i> , will be able to analyze them in terms of language and content, will be able to critically evaluate the received information in the process of <i>listening and reading</i>	Discussions, demonstration of and using audio and video material	Testing (open-ended and closed-ended items), case study, assessment of practical tasks.
Able to express ideas and provide argument in a linguistically accurate manner both in <i>speaking and writing</i> , will be able to inform about the subject of studies, to give argument on different issues and aspects on the subject of studies (to present, describe, interpret, evaluate and generalize), and present adequate solutions, with the awareness of changes in the language register both in <i>speaking and writing</i>	Writing a formal letter, summary, preparing a presentation, group work, discussions, role-play	Presentation assessment, summary assessment, testing (open-ended and closed-ended items), case study, assessment of practical tasks

Able to use a relatively wide range of <i>special vocabulary of Information Technology</i> almost without the use of avoidance strategies for the search of proper means of expression, to consistently and properly use complex grammatical patterns specific to the academic text; will be able to flexibly and effectively use his/her language for professional as well as other social purposes	Reading professional literature, using audio and video material, professional terminology, mind-maps, brainstorming, case study, self-assessment	Testing (open-ended and closed-ended items), case study, presentation assessment, summary assessment
Acquire knowledge about the culture and etiquette of English speaking countries; will be able to use this knowledge in a multicultural environment both in formal and informal professional situations; will attempt to flexibly and creatively function in a multicultural environment, placing high value on tolerance, respect for others, self-respect and other values	Discussions, self- study, role- play, using audio and video material	Assessment of practical tasks, tests, case study, oral questioning, presentation assessment
Interact with other participants in a learning process, work in pairs or teams, giving and taking interviews on the speciality topics, holding short conversations related to the topics studied	Discussions, groupwork	Case study, assessment of practical tasks, summary assessment
Discuss the main work and time planning methods and principles		
Search for printed, visual, electronic and other types of sources related to the subject studied	Collecting information from scientific sources, studying of the collected data	Presentation assessment, assessment of practical tasks

Content: breakdown of the topics	Contact hours							Self-study work: time and assignments	
	Lectures	Tutorials	Seminars	Practice	Laboratory work (LW)	Tutorial during LW	Contact hours	Self-study hours	Assignments
1.University Education; (About VU: http://www.vu.lt/en/about-us)				5			5	4	Different reading, listening and writing (summaries, formal letters) assignments, grammar assignments, academic and specialty vocabulary) tasks, preparation for tests and speaking tasks (presentations, oral summaries), online information search
2. Basic Speciality Terminology; Basic IT Concepts; (Computer History: http://www.computerhope.com/history/ http://www.computerhistory.org/timeline/)				8			8	8	
3. Influence of Mathematics in Science and Other Fields; (The Greatest Mathematicians of All Time: http://fabpedigree.com/james/mathmen.htm)				6			6	6	
4. Computer Users; (Computers Make the World Smaller and Smarter)				5			5	5	
5. Computer Architecture; Peripherals; Input Devices; Output Devices; (Cache Memory, Data Mining)				5			5	5	
6. Operating Systems; Graphical User Interfaces; (Linux versus Windows; User Interfaces)				5			5	5	
7. Computer applications; Applications programmes; (Application Service Provider; Instruction manuals for software)				5			5	6	
8. Malware programmes; Antivirus software systems; Firewalls				6			6	6	

9. Communication systems; (Additional features of the most modern mobile phones; Abbreviations used in mobile phone text messages; The Global Positioning System)				5			5	5
10. Effective presentations for IT specialists: structure, language, non- verbal communication, visuals, content				7			7	8
11. Academic summary for IT specialists: requirements for the genre, peculiarities of written English				7			7	8
Total				64			64	66

Assessment strategy	Weight %	Deadline	Assessment criteria
Accumulative assessment for the credit:		During the semester	Accounting for the specific tasks. All tasks should meet the deadlines. All task groups are evaluated on a scale of 0 to 10.
Oral / Spoken assignments	20%	During the semester	Oral summary of professional text(s) for reading; 2 presentations; In assessing oral assignments the following criteria are considered: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Content 2. Structure 3. Lexical means of expression 4. Accuracy 5. Fluency 6. Delivery: persuasiveness of speech, body language, the contact with the audience, visual aids In order to receive the credit student should score at least a 5 from each oral summary and presentation.
Written assignments	20%	During the semester	2 summaries; In assessing written assignment the following criteria are considered: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Genre (typical of a summary) and structure (clear composition, clear and accurate ideas, appropriate usage of linking devices) 2. Content: revealing the main message, formulating the main and the supporting ideas, development of the topic, logical and coherent development of ideas 3. Target lexis (the complexity of academic vocabulary: terminology, ability to paraphrase given information) 4. Correct grammar structures, meeting the requirements of word formation, 5. Spelling, punctuation, as well as the scope of a piece of writing. In order to receive the credit student should score at least a 5 from each summary.
Mid-term test	30%	During October	A mid-term test consists of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different tests – accounting on the subjects studied; • Tests on speciality vocabulary – terminology of IT; • Tests on reading academic texts; • Listening tests; In order to receive the credit student should score at least a 5 from each part.
End-term test	30%	During December	An end-term test consists of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different tests – accounting on the subjects studied; • Tests on speciality vocabulary – terminology of IT; • Tests on reading academic texts; • Listening tests. In order to receive the credit student should score at least a 5 from each part.

Final evaluation (credit)	100%	During exam session	In order to receive the credit student should score at least a 5 from each part assessed.
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Author	Publis hing year	Title	Number or volume	Publisher or URL
Required reading				
Glendinning, E. H., McEwan, J.	2007	Oxford English for Information Technology		Oxford University Press
Esteras, S.R., Febre, E. M.	2007	Professional English in Use. For Computers and Internet		Cambridge University Press
Gray, S.	2011	Information Technology in a Global Society for the IB Diploma: Black and White Edition		Create Space Publication
Papildoma literatura				
Esteras, S. R.	2003	Infotech. English for Computer Users		Cambridge University Press
Foley, M., Hall, D.	2003	Advanced Learner's Grammar		Longman
Hewings, M.	2005	Advanced Grammar in Use		Cambridge University Press
Oshima, A., Hogue, A	2006	Writing Academic English		Longman
Dignen, B.	2007	50 Ways to Improve your Presentation Skills in English		Summertown Publishing Ltd
Grussendorf, M.	2007	English for Presentations. Express series		Oxford University Press
Reynolds, G.	2007	Presentation Zen: Simple Ideas on Presentation Design and Delivery		New Riders
Hall, D., Foley, M.	2013	MyGrammarLab, Advanced course		Pearson
	2005	IELTS Practice Tests +2		Pearson Education Ltd.
	2007	Grammar for IELTS		Cambridge University Press
		Communications of the ACM		http://cacm.acm.org/
		The Economist		www.economist.com
		New Scientist		www.newscientist.com
		Scientific American		www.scientificamerican.com
		Science Daily		http://www.sciencedaily.com
				http://www.english4it.com/
				http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning
				http://www.articlesbase.com/information-technology-articles
				http://www.crn.in/
		Discover Magazine		http://discovermagazine.com/
				http://www.ted.com/