

Information sheet for the course Professional English Language I

University: <i>Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín</i>	
Faculty: <i>Department of Political Science</i>	
Course unit code: <i>PLTP5</i>	Course unit title: <i>Professional English Language I</i>
Type of course unit: <i>compulsory</i>	
Planned types, learning activities and teaching methods: <i>Seminar: 4 hours weekly/52 hours per semester; face to face</i>	
Number of credits: <i>4</i>	
Recommended semester: <i>the 1st semester in the 1st year (full-time)</i> <i>the 1st semester in the 1st year (part-time)</i>	
Degree of study: <i>I. (bachelor)</i>	
Course prerequisites: <i>none</i>	
Assessment methods: <i>Continuous assessment: test, attendance, individual work, active participation. Final assessment: test.</i>	
Learning outcomes of the course unit: <i>Students are able to communicate in the surroundings of the given language, gain professional knowledge and present achieved professional results in printed and electronic forms. Students are able to excerpt important information, understand a professional lecture, work out individual outputs and present them at professional events. At the same time, they are able to perceive intercultural differences of EU countries, use them at negotiations, international conferences and make personal contacts.</i>	
Course contents: <i>1. Interpersonal relations, lives of youths – discussion in groups, argumentation, preparation of information materials.</i> <i>2. Comparison of youths' living styles in EU countries – work with original text, notes, argumentation.</i> <i>3. Leisure time. Key words describing leisure time activities. Using of correct expressions in emails and fax. Discussion in groups, list of the most often leisure time activities.</i> <i>4. Educational system in Slovakia and in English-speaking countries. Presentation and discussion about the differences in educational systems. Common output.</i> <i>5. Life at the university, organization of study. Work in groups, proposals of improvement, written information about the university.</i> <i>6. Unified certification of students' knowledge, exam – psychological preparation for the exam, change of experiences, simulation practice.</i> <i>7. Consolidation – manipulation and substitution practice, communicative exercises.</i> <i>9. Business meetings in a restaurant. Comparison of behavior of individual nations. Dialogues, understanding of speeches.</i> <i>10. My favorite movie or book. Description of art work, using of specific phrases. Presentation of own opinions, using of correct argumentations.</i>	

11. Art – form a journal, receiving information, research of journals, final collecting of materials. Work in groups.
12. Celebrations and holidays, traditions and customs – written invitation to the celebration, informal phone conversation.
13. Final exam, evaluation, analysis of mistakes.

Recommended or required reading:

Cunningham, S. - Moor, P.: *Cutting Edge – Upper Intermediate*. Longman, 2003.
 Ashley, A.: *Commercial Correspondence*. Oxford University Press, 2000.
 Mascull, B.: *m Business Vocabulary in Use*. Cambridge University Press, 2002.
 Soars, J., Soars, L.: *Hedway Upper Intermediate*. Oxford University Press, 1998.
 Wallwork, A.: *Business Options*. Oxford University Press, 1999.
 Articles from the Internet, newspaper and journal articles.

Language: English

Remarks: The course is compulsory. Seminar group consists of 20 – 25 students.

Evaluation history:

A	B	C	D	E	FX
8,04	11,54	24,13	17,48	29,37	9,44

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