

English as a foreign language - course description

General information	
Course name	English as a foreign language
Course ID	09.0-WF-FizP-Eng-S17
Faculty	Faculty of Physics and Astronomy
Field of study	Physics
Education profile	academic
Level of studies	First-cycle studies leading to Bachelor's degree
Beginning semester	winter term 2018/2019

Course information	
Semester	5
ECTS credits to win	2
Course type	obligatory
Teaching language	english
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Classes forms					
The class form	Hours per semester (full-time)	Hours per week (full-time)	Hours per semester (part-time)	Hours per week (part-time)	Form of assignment
Laboratory	30	2	-	-	Exam

Aim of the course

The course aims to enable students to improve speaking, reading and writing skills, as well as listening comprehension in English. It will help the students to develop their ability to apply language functions to effective communication in everyday life. The course also aims to develop ability to describe hypothetical situations, express probability, give advice and use Passive Voice properly. The course provides an opportunity to learn the skill of writing formal letters, improve listening and reading comprehension. It helps students to further develop conversational skills, and ability to deliver a presentation in English.

The course helps students to develop vocabulary from the following branches of physics – electricity and magnetism.

Prerequisites

B1+ of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages specified by the Council of Europe.

Scope

During the course students will learn to:

- describe hypothetical situations, use conditional sentences referring to present, future and past
- use clauses of time introduced by *when, as soon as, till, before, after*
- use modal verbs to express probability
- understand and form correct sentences in Passive Voice
- understand and use specialist vocabulary – electricity and magnetism, as well as quantum mechanics
- analyse and understand specialist texts

Teaching methods

The course focuses on communication activities in functional and situational context. It encourages students to speak with fluency and develop the four skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking by means of group and pair work, discussion, presentation, oral and written exercises.

Learning outcomes and methods of theirs verification

Outcome description	Outcome symbols	Methods of verification	The class form
Upon successful completion of the course, the students: • can describe hypothetical situations with the use of adequate language structures, • use modal verbs to express probability and give advice, • use with understanding Passive Voice, • understands sentences in which Passive Voice is used, • is familiar with and can use specialist vocabulary from the following branches of physics: electricity and magnetism, as well as quantum mechanics, • can provide simple definitions of basic phenomena in the field of electricity, • understand simple specialist texts describing basic phenomena and laws in the field of electricity and magnetism		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• an evaluation test• praca na zajęciach – przedstawienie referatu	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laboratory

Assignment conditions

– Grade: a condition for receiving a credit are positive marks for tests covering the subject area of the classes, presentation of own work during the classes.

Recommended reading

[1] C. Oxenden, V. Latham-Koenig, P. Seligson, *New English File Student's Book*, Oxford University Press 2007.

[2] C. Oxenden, V. Latham-Koenig, P. Seligson, *New English File Workbook*, Oxford University Press 2007.

Further reading

[1] FCE Use of English , Express Publishing 1998.

[2] Internet articles.

[3] L. Szkutnik, Materiały do czytania – Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Wydawnictwa Szkolne i Pedagogiczne.

[4] J. Pasternak-Winiarska, English in Mathematics, Oficyna Wydawnicza Politechniki Warszawskiej, Warszawa 2006.

[5] S. Hawking, A Brief History of Time, The Universe in a Nutshell, Bantam Books 2001.

Notes

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