Course Code: PMEILNE 513

Friday 09:30-11:00 Semester: Fall 2016/2017 Location: PTE PMMIK, Room A219

**General Information:** 

Name of Course: INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH FOR TECHNICAL STUDIES I

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**Course Code:** PMEILNE 513

**Semester:** fall **Number of Credits:** 

**Allotment of Hours per Week:** 2 Practical Lessons / Week **Evaluation:** Signature (with grade)

**Prerequisites:** 

Language of instruction: **English** 

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**Course Syllabus** 

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### **General Course Description and Main Content:**

The course is designed for students with pre-intermediate - intermediate knowledge of English. The aim of the course is to develop spoken (receptive, interactive and productive) language proficiency in the context of academic topics relevant to students in higher education, e.g. giving presentations, taking part in discussions, listening to lectures and taking notes. It includes strategies for undertaking research and dealing with unfamiliar academic vocabulary.

## **Methodology:**

The course is based on individual and team work, taking part in discussions and completing home assignments.

### **Attendance:**

Attending is required all classes, and will impact the grade (max. 10%). Unexcused absences will adversely affect the grade, and in case of absence from more than 30% of the total number of lessons will be grounds for failing the class. To be in class at the beginning time and stay until the scheduled end of the lesson is required, tardiness of more than 20 minutes will be regarded as an absence. In case of an illness or family emergency, the student must present a valid excuse, such as a doctor's certificate.

## **Evaluation + Grading**

Grading will follow the course structure with the following weight: two tests: 35% - 35%, classroom participation: 30%. Please note that attendance will adversely affect one's grade.

#### **Grading Scale:**

Numeric	5	4	3	2	1
Grade:					
Evaluation in	89%-100%	77%-88%	66%-76%	55%-65%	0-54%
points:					

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## **Books and Reference Materials:**

Headway Academic Skills – Listening, Speaking and Study Skills, Level 3 by Richard Harrison, OUP 2011

# Semester schedule

Week	Topic			
1.	Placement test			
2.	Listening for gist – evaluating different learning styles			
3.	Critical thinking, the language of graphs, taking part in discussions			
4.	Evaluating evidence, identifying speakers' opinions			
5.	Organising a presentation - introduction			
6.	Note-taking techniques, different styles of notes			
7.	Activating background knowledge in listening tasks			
8.	Mid-term test			
9.	Fall study break			
10.	Expressing opinions; presentations – organising the main content			
11.	Recognising causes and solutions, references in texts			
12.	Discussing pros and cons; presenting facts and figures			
13.	Listening for questions; classifying evidence			
14.	Taking part in interviews; presenting results			
15.	End-term test			