

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND COURSE REQUIREMENTS
ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/2019 SEMESTER 2

Basic Hungarian I

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| <i>Course Code</i> | SZE053AN |
| <i>Hours/Week</i> | 2 seminars |
| <i>Credits</i> | 3 |
| <i>Degree Programme</i> | All |
| <i>Study Mode</i> | Full time |
| <i>Evaluation</i> | Final course grade |
| <i>Teaching Period</i> | Autumn/Spring |
| <i>Prerequisites</i> | - |
| <i>Department</i> | Centre for Foreign Languages for Technical Purposes |
| <i>Teaching Staff</i> | Julia Török |

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The course is designed for students with no previous knowledge of the Hungarian language. The aim of the course is to enable students to manage very basic communicational situations in the Hungarian language environment, especially those in a university and faculty context. By the end of the course students will be able to use basic vocabulary, and also to read and understand common signs.

CONTENT

Overview:

The course will focus on topics, vocabulary and themes including the Hungarian alphabet and spelling, greetings and introductions, question words, numbers, the days of the week, physical descriptions, giving directions and Hungarian cities. Students will also learn about pronunciation rules, basic sentence structure and very basic grammar including the definite and indefinite articles, the present conjugation of the most common verbs, the singular and plural forms of nouns, and the most common suffixes.

Syllabus:

- 1 Introduction: basic information about the language
 - International words in Hungarian
 - The alphabet
 - Spelling

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| 2 | Greetings and introduction |
| 3 | Countries and languages Where do you live? Numbers |
| 4 | Occupations: engineering and architecture Question words |
| 5 | How are you? Describing things |
| 6 | Describing rooms The university The faculty building |
| 7 | Talking about problems Describing people |
| 8 | Writing an email |
| 9 | Expressing time Days of the week |
| 10 | In the city Places Transport |
| 11 | Giving directions Hungary |

REQUIREMENTS AND ASSESSMENT

Attendance:

Attendance is required for all classes and will impact the grade. Unexcused absences will adversely affect the grade, and absences from more than 30% of the total number of lessons will be grounds for failing the class. Punctual attendance for the whole lesson is required and arriving more than 20 minutes late will be counted as an absence. In the case of an illness or family emergency, the student must present a valid excuse, such as a doctor's note.

Minimum Course Requirements, Assessment and Grading Policy:

For passing the course students are required to pass the midterm test and the final test.

Students can retake a missed or failed test only once. They can also re-sit the tests if they want to improve their mark. In the latter case the result of the re-sit will be taken into consideration when the final course grade is calculated.

Grading Scale:

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| 85 – 100% | 5 (Excellent) |
| 76 – 84% | 4 (Good) |
| 61 – 75% | 3 (Average) |
| 50 – 60% | 2 (Poor) |
| 0 – 49% | 1 (Fail) |

Final course grade calculation: 35% midterm test, 35% final test, 30% attendance, participation and home assignments

COURSEBOOKS AND RECOMMENDED READING

[1.] http://magyar-ok.hu/en/A1_intro.html

Units 1-4

Please order both the textbook and the exercise book. The audio files are downloadable from the website. You can buy the book at the International Studies Centre of the University in Pécs at 1-3 Dohány Street (third floor).