COURSE DESCRIPTION AND COURSE REQUIREMENTS ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/2021 SEMESTER 1

Basic Hungarian I	Thurs 9.30 - 11.00 AND Fri 7.45 - 9.15
Course Code	SZE053AN
Hours/Week	2 seminars
Credits	2
Degree Programme	All
Study Mode	Full time
Evaluation	Final course grade
Teaching Period	Autumn
Prerequisites	-
Department	Centre for Foreign Languages for Technical
	Purposes
Teaching Staff	Andrea Varga
	Office: B033 Email: varga.andrea@mik.pte.hu

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. By the end of the course students will be able to use basic vocabulary, to read and understand common signs, to introduce themselves and others and to ask questions about personal details. They will be able to interact with other people in a simple way if they talk slowly and clearly.

The course prepares Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship holder students for the standardised A1 Hungarian examination to be taken at the end of the second semester but it is also open to other students who want to learn the basics of the Hungarian language.

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, the most common suffixes and prefixes.

SYLLABUS

Week 1 Registration for elective language courses is still ongoing

Week 2 Unit 1

Introduction: basic information about the language

International words in Hungarian

The alphabet

Spelling

Unit 2

Greetings and introduction

Week 3 Unit 2

Countries and languages

Where do you live?

Numbers

Week 4 Unit 2

Occupations

Question words

Family

Week 5 Unit 3

How are you?

Describing things

Week 6 Unit 3

Describing rooms

Talking about problems

Describing people

Week 7 Unit 3

A new workplace

The faculty building

Writing an email message

Midterm test

Week 8 Autumn break

Week 9 Unit 4

Expressing time

Days of the week

Unit 4

Places in the city

Week 10 Unit 4

Places and activities

Going to places

Week 11 Unit 4

Means of transport

Getting around

Week 12 Unit 4

Giving directions

Town and village

Week 12 Unit 4

Places in Hungary

Places in your country

Week 13 Unit 4
Describing countries

Week 14 Revision Week 15 Final test

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 both 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:

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

MagyarOK A1 KOMPAKT Units 1-4

http://magyar-ok.hu/en/A1_intro.html?ver=2.8

(audio files and lots of useful materials are downloadable from website)

You can buy the book at the International Studies Centre:

Pécs, 30 Damjanich Street, Office 07 (ground floor)

Please try to purchase the book before the first class of the semester.

You can also order the book online:

http://magyar-ok.hu/en/order.html

Free online material:

Aktív MagyarOK

https://aktiv-magyar-ok.hu/