COURSE DESCRIPTION AND COURSE REQUIREMENTS ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/2021 SPRING

Introduction to English for Technical Studies -	Speaking
Course Code	SZE022AN
Hours/Week	2 seminars
Credits	2
Degree Programme	All
Study Mode	Full time
Evaluation	Final course grade
Teaching Period	Autumn
Prerequisites	Placement test
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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The course is designed for students with an 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 studying engineering and architecture.

CONTENT

The course will focus on:

- listening to reports, interviews and dialogues
- preparing and giving presentations
- learning and using academic vocabulary in a wide range of fields including urbanisation, globalisation, architecture, robot technology and technological advances. The course will involve individual work as well as frequent group work. Students are expected to keep up to date with homework and home assignments.

Syllabus:

- 1. Orientation
- 2. Changing cities: smart cities (reading, listening, note taking, discussion)
- 3. Changing cities: green cities (listening comprehension, note taking, discussion)
- 4. Presentations: topics, research, slides
- 5. Autonomous vehicles (understanding and explaining how things work)
- 6. Autonomous vehicles infographic

- 7. Biofuels
- 8. Globalisation and Industry 4.0
- 9. Biomedical Engineering
- Robotic prosthetics (developing research skills, finding information online)
- 10. Spring break
- 11. Cutting edge buildings: engineering and architecture (developing group skills)
- 12. Energy storage solutions (explaining how things work, comparing and contrasting, arguing)
- 13. Presentations
- 14. Presentations
- 15. Technological advances Technology of the future

REQUIREMENTS AND ASSESSMENT

Attendance:

Attendance is required 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/joining the class 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 submit their PPTs, deliver their presentations and complete the assignments throughout the semester.

Final course grade calculation: 30% presentation, 30% class attendance and participation, 40% assignments

Grading Scale:

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

COURSEBOOKS AND RECOMMENDED READING

Course materials and handouts are available in the Neptun MeetStreet folder