# COURSE DESCRIPTION AND COURSE REQUIREMENTS ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022 SPRING SEMESTER

Hungarian for Engineers 1	Monday 7.45 – 9.15 AND Friday 11.15 – 12.45
Course Code	SZEAN
Hours/Week	2 x 90-minute sessions /week
Credits	3
Degree Programme	All
Study Mode	Full time
Evaluation	Final course grade
Teaching Period	Spring
Prerequisites	-
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### AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The course is designed for engineering and architecture students with little or 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 work context. The course focuses on vocabulary and communication skills necessary for students preparing to do their internship or take up a job in Hungary. By the end of the course students will be able to ask and answer simple questions, use basic vocabulary to discuss simple topics in a few sentences, and also to read and understand common signs.

#### CONTENT

## Overview:

Students will learn about pronunciation rules, basic sentence structure and 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. Topics covered in the course include professional introduction, countries, cities, occupations, transport and schedules.

#### Syllabus:

Week 1 Orientation

Week 2 Introduction: basic information about the language

Greetings, introduction The Hungarian alphabet

Week 3 Places in the city

Buildings Rooms

Countries and nationalities

Week 4 Personal pronouns and the verb *to be* 

Adjectives Colours

Occupations: jobs in engineering and architecture

Week 5 The vowel harmony

Location suffixes -ban, -ben

Months Numbers Verbs

Week 6 No Monday class (March 15 public holiday long weekend)

Location suffixes -on, -en, -ön

Days of the week Ordinal numbers Question words Plural nouns

Week 7 Location suffixes -ból, -ből

Location suffixes -ba, -be

Expressing location prepositions in Hungarian

Week 8 Past tense of the verb to be

Future tense of the verb *to be* The suffixes -val, -vel (with, by)

Transport

Verbs with -ik ending in first person singular

Week 9 Revision

Midterm test

Week 10 No class on Friday (Easter Good Friday)

Location suffixes -nál, -nél

A day at work

Which number? (egyes, kettes, hármas, etc.)

Week 11 Spring holiday

Week 12 How many times? (egyszer, kétszer, háromszor, etc.)

Daily schedule Weekly schedule

Week 13 Describing things

Plural adjectives

Definite and indefinite verb conjugations

Week 14 Time expressions

Making phone calls Making appointments

Week 15 Revision

Final test

## REQUIREMENTS AND ASSESSMENT

#### Attendance:

Attendance is required for all classes and will impact the final course 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)
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Final course grade calculation: 25% midterm test, 25% final test, 50% attendance, participation, in-class and home assignments

#### COURSEBOOKS AND RECOMMENDED READING

## S.O.S. Magyar 1. Hungarian Course Book + Audio Online

https://oupbooks.hu/magyar-mint-idegenny/magyar-tankonyv/sos-magyar-1-hungarian-course-book--audio-online

Please order the textbook. The audio files are downloadable from the website.

https://sos-magyar.hu/en/

Additional material in the Teams folders