

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Scientific and Medical Language

2425-1-H4102D052

Aims

The course will enable students to reach the CEFR C1 level ("Can understand a wide range of long, demanding texts, and recognise implicit meaning. Can express him/herself fluently and spontaneously without searching for expressions. Can use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes. Can produce a clear, well-structured and detailed text on complex subjects, showing a controlled use of organisational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.").

Contents

The course offers an introduction to English for Academic Purposes with particular attention devoted to the medical field.

Detailed program

Lecture sessions

Students will be exposed to an adequate medical vocabulary and will work on the organization, writing and presentation of scientific research articles, lab reports, abstracts and posters. The module comprises theoretical aspects as well as several practical activities.

Prerequisites

Non-native English students are required to possess an English language certification issued by an institution accredited by the University and corresponding to level B2 of the Common European Framework of Languages.

Teaching form

Lectures, applied language activities, group work, student mock conference

Textbook and teaching resource

- Eric Glendinning (2006). Professional English in Use Medicine. Cambridge
- Material provided by the lecturer

Semester

first semester

Assessment method

The exam consists of a written test and an oral test. To have access to the oral exam, students need to pass a series of written tests.

Specifically, attending students will have three written partial exams:

- Medical vocabulary test: 40% of final mark
- writing and designing an academic poster: 40% of final mark.
- peer reviewing a research article and an academic poster: 20% of final mark

The oral exam will test the student's overall knowledge of scientific and Medical English and will focus on the presentation and defence of the academic poster.

Office hours

Before and after class (please book an appointment with Prof. L. D'Angelo via email at larissa.dangelo@unibg.it)

Sustainable Development Goals