***Syllabus***

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| **Department** | **Department of English Studies** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **Year** | | | | | | | 2025/ 2026 |
| **Course** | Contemporary English Language V | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **ECTS** | | | | | | | **5** |
| **Study programme** | English Studies | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Level of study programme** | Undergraduate | | | Graduate | | | | | | Integrated | | | | | | Postgraduate | | | | | | | |
| **Type of study programme** | Single major  Double major | | | University | | | | | | Professional | | | | | | Specialized | | | | | | | |
| **Year of study** | 1 | | | 2 | | | | | 3 | | | 4 | | | | | | | | | 5 | | |
| **Semester** | Winter  Summer | | | I | | | | | | II | III | | | | | IV | | | | | | | V |
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| **Status of the course** | Compulsory | | | Elective | | | | | | Elective course offered to students from other departments | | | | | | **Teaching Competencies** | | | | | | | YES  NO |
| **Workload** |  | **L** |  | **S** | | **75** | | **E** | | **Internet sources for e-learning** | | | | | | | | | | | | | YES  NO |
| **Location and time of instruction** | Old Campus | | | | | | | | | **Language(s) in which**  **the course is taught** | | | | | | | | English | | | | | |
| **Course start date** | 01.10.2025 | | | | | | | | | **Course end date** | | | | | | | | 23.01.2026 | | | | | |
| **Enrolment requirements** | Enrolment in the 5th semester of undergraduate English Studies | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **Assistant/**  **Associate** |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **Mode of teaching** | Lectures | | | | Seminars and workshops | | | | | Exercises | | | | | E-learning | | | | | | | | Field work |
| Individual assignments | | | | Multimedia and network | | | | | Laboratory | | | | | Mentoring | | | | | | | | Other |
| **Learning outcomes** | | | | | Upon completion of the course students will be able to:   * communicate in various social situations (level C2), * discuss various topics, * comprehend authentic texts and recordings, * write clear and coherent essays, as well appropriately paraphrase and summarise academic texts, * use advanced vocabulary (idioms, phrasal verbs, collocations), * recognise and use complex grammatical structures, * use adequate terminology when talking about the language, * translate short texts, * understand the culture and social life of the English-speaking countries. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Learning outcomes at the Programme level** | | | | | Upon completion of the course students will be able to:   * recognise and describe relevant ideas and concepts, * apply a critical and self-critical approach in argumentation, * apply ethical principles in conducting investigations and in resolving issues independently and in a group, * read, write, listen, and speak the English language at the C2 level - use complex grammatical structures in oral and written communication, as well as be able to critically think and discuss various topics using advanced vocabulary in the English language, * translate texts and speech from English into Croatian and vice versa respecting the cultural context. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **Assessment criteria** | Class attendance | | | | Preparation for class | | | | | Homework | | | | | Continuous evaluation | | | | | | | | Research |
| Practical work | | | | Experimental work | | | | | Presentation | | | | | Project | | | | | | | | Seminar |
| Test(s) | | | | Written exam | | | | | Oral exam | | | | | Other: | | | | | | | | |
| **Conditions for permission to take the exam** | Students are due to attend classes, at least 80%, in case of collision 40%. Students are to come to classes on time, do tasks, and participate in activities. Students who do not pass one or both tests are to take them in the winter exam period. Students are due to pass all three parts of the written exam. The tests/final written exam can be taken only at the scheduled time. Students are to come on time for the test/final written exam; otherwise, they will not be permitted to take it in the due term. Students who do not accept the test grades can retake the tests in the winter exam period. After having passed the final written exam, students are to pass the final oral exam. If they do not pass it in the winter exam period, they are to take the final written exam in the autumn exam period. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Exam periods** | Winter | | | | | | | | | Summer | | | | | | | Autumn­ | | | | | | |
| **Exam dates** | <https://anglistika.unizd.hr/ispitni-rokovi> | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | <https://anglistika.unizd.hr/ispitni-rokovi> | | | | | | |
| **Course description** | In the course, students develop their language skills at level C2. They develop their speaking skills needed for interactive communication and learn about cultural norms of the English-speaking countries. Also, students practice descriptions, express their personal attitudes on the basis of visual prompts, and discuss different topics and issues. Students are encouraged to express their opinion and develop critical thinking skills. Furthermore, the focus is on the development of students’ reading and academic writing skills. Students enrich their vocabulary by reading various texts and become aware of different aspects of the culture and social life of the English-speaking countries. They enrich their vocabulary by studying idioms, phrasal verbs, and collocations, thus improving their written and oral communicative competence. Students translate shorter texts from different areas, thus acquiring basic translation techniques. The choice of appropriate grammatical structures and vocabulary is essential for the development of translation competence, as well as textual competence including the ability to be aware of both the register and stylistic differences. Also, students develop learning strategies and are trained for independent work. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Course content** | 1. Introduction to the course   Reading: W. B. Yeats, He Wishes for the Cloths of Heaven (poem)  Speaking: discussion  Vocabulary: Relationships (phrasal verbs)  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: A dancer’s lot (multiple choice)   Vocabulary: nouns + prepositions, idioms, collocations, use of English  Speaking: collaborative talk - music and entertainment; describing music  Academic writing: Being emphatic  Translation (exercises)   1. Listening: multiple matching   Vocabulary: Agreeing and Disagreeing (idioms)  Reading: W. S. Maugham, Mabel (short story)  Speaking: discussion  Dictation (practice)  Academic writing: Being emphatic (cont.)  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: The last stand of the Amazon (gapped text)   Vocabulary: word formation, animal sounds, phrasal verbs, use of English  Listening: Love Song to the Earth (song)  Speaking: individual long turn – food production/environmental issues  Academic writing: Paraphrasing  Translation (exercises)   1. Listening: Animals (multiple choice)   Vocabulary: Nature (phrasal verbs); use of English  Reading: newspaper articles  Speaking: debate  Dictation (practice)  Academic writing: Paraphrasing (cont.)  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: E. Abinader, Just Off Main Street (essay)   Speaking: discussion  Vocabulary: Similarities and Differences (idioms); figurative speech  Academic writing: Talking about cause and effect  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: Who’s in control? (multiple matching)   Vocabulary: word formation, animal idioms  Listening: multiple choice - understanding the main ideas  Dictation (practice)  Academic writing: Talking about cause and effect (cont.)  Translation (exercises)  **TEST 1 (dictation)**   1. Speaking: collaborative talk – ways to relax; sustaining a conversation   Reading: S. Hill, The Badness Within Him (short story)  Speaking: discussion  Vocabulary: Discussing problems (phrasal verbs); use of English  Academic writing: Cause and effect essays  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: My digital detox (gapped text)   Vocabulary: use of metaphors, collocations, word formation, use of English  Listening: multiple choice  Academic writing: Cause and effect essays (cont.)  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: newspaper articles   Speaking: discussion; individual long turn – laws & information; comparing  Vocabulary: Communicating (idioms); use of English  Dictation (practice)  Academic writing: Cause and effect essays (practice)  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: Roald Dahl, Parson’s Pleasure (short story)   Speaking: discussion  Vocabulary: Character and personal quality (phrasal verbs)  Academic writing: Cause and effect essays (review)  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: At home with books (multiple choice)   Vocabulary: literary devices, phrases from Shakespeare, word formation, use of English  Dictation (practice)  Translation (exercises)  **TEST 2 (essay)**   1. Listening: Endangered languages (sentence completion)   Vocabulary: words with a similar meaning, confusable words, homophones  Speaking: collaborative task – careers & language use  Reading: newspaper articles  Speaking: debate  Translation (exercises)   1. Reading: Z. Smith, The Embassy of Cambodia (short story)   Speaking: discussion  Vocabulary: Power and Influence (idioms)  Translation (exercises)   1. Revision   Dictation (practice)  Translation (exercises) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Required reading** | Roderick, M., Nuttall, C., Kenny, N. (2013). *Proficiency Expert Coursebook*. Harlow: Pearson.  Eastwood, J. (2005). *Grammar Finder.* Oxford: Oxford University Press. (units 1-5)  Swan, M. (2005). *Practical English Usage (Third Edition).* Oxford: Oxford University Press.  De Chazal, E., McCarter, S. (2013). *Oxford EAP - A Course in English for Academic Purposes (Upper-Intermediate).* Oxford: Oxford University Press. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Additional reading** | McCarthy, M., O'Dell, F. (2007). *English Phrasal Verbs in Use Advanced*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.  Wright, John (1999). *Idioms Organiser*. Boston: LTP Language.  Biber, D., Conrad, S., Leech, G. (2002). *Student Grammar of Spoken and Written English.* Essex: Pearson Education Limited.  Huddlestone, R., Pullum, G. K. (2005). *A Student’s Introduction to English Grammar.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.  Thomson, A. J., Martinet, A.V. (1993). *A Practical English Grammar.* Oxford: Oxford University Press.  Paterson, Ken, Wedge, Roberta. (2013). *Oxford Grammar for EAP.* Oxford: Oxford University Press.  Bailey, S. (2015). *Academic Writing: A Handbook for International Students.* London and New York: Routledge.  Teacher-made materials | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Internet sources** | www.dailymail.co.uk, www.telegraph.co.uk, www.theguardian.com | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Assessment criteria of learning outcomes** | Final exam only | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | |
| Final written exam | | | | | | Final oral exam | | | | | | | Final written and oral exam | | | | | | | | Practical work and final exam | |
| Only test/homework | | | | Test/homework and final exam | | | | | Seminar paper | | | | Seminar paper and final exam | | | | | Practical work | | | | other forms |
| **Calculation of final grade** | Final written exam: 70%  Final oral exam: 20%  Homework and participation: 10%  Final written exam:  70% - test comprising reading comprehension, vocabulary, grammar, and translation,  20% - essay,  10% - dictation. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Grading scale** | 0-59 | | | | % Failure (1) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 60-69 | | | | % Satisfactory (2) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 70-79 | | | | % Good (3) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 80-89 | | | | % Very good (4) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 90-100 | | | | % Excellent (5) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Course evaluation procedures** | Student evaluations conducted by the University  Student evaluations conducted by the Department  Internal evaluation of teaching  Department meetings discussing quality of teaching and results of student evaluations  Other | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Note /Other** | In accordance with Art. 6 of the *Code of Ethics* of the Committee for Ethics in Science and Higher Education, “the student is expected to fulfil his/her obligations honestly and ethically, to pursue academic excellence, to be civilized, respectful and free from prejudice.”  According to Art. 14 of the University of Zadar's *Code of Ethics*, students are expected to “fulfil their responsibilities responsibly and conscientiously. […] Students are obligated to safeguard the reputation and dignity of all members of the university community and the University of Zadar as a whole, to promote moral and academic values and principles. […]  Any act constituting a violation of academic honesty is ethically prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to:  - various forms of fraud such as the use or possession of books, notes, data, electronic gadgets or other aids during examinations, except when permitted;  -various forms of forgery such as the use or possession of unauthorised materials during the exam; impersonation and attendance at exams on behalf of other students; fraudulent study documents; forgery of signatures and grades; falsifying exam results.”  All forms of unethical behaviour will result in a negative grade in the course without the possibility of compensation or repair. In case of serious violations the *Rulebook on Disciplinary Responsibility of Students at the University of Zadar* will be applied.  In electronic communications only messages coming from known addresses with a first and a last name, and which are written in the Croatian standard and appropriate academic style, will be responded to.  This course uses the Merlin system for e-learning, so students are required to have an AAI account. /*delete if necessary*/ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |