

Course Description				
Course Title	English for communicative purposes			
Course Type	Elective	Recommended Year/Semester of Study		
Course Length	1 semest.	Per week	0/2	ECTS 2
Length (Further Specifications)				
Method of Assessment	Final Test	Form of Delivery		Seminar
Course Requirements	Requirements are a minimum of 75% attendance, participation in seminar activities, and completing set homework assignments. As this course is conceived as an accompaniment to standard English lessons, enrolment is limited to students whose English is pre-CAE (i.e. B2 or weak C1)			
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Course Overview	<p><u>Aims:</u> To present and provide practise of both spoken and written functional exponents for a range of communicative purposes.</p> <p>A list of potential topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Expressing opinions</i>: agreeing and disagreeing ○ <i>Eating out</i>: understanding explanations of dishes on a menu; offering to pay; booking a table; complaining about common restaurant problems ○ <i>Shopping</i>: making a complaint in a shop; asking questions (e.g. for help) about various products; bargaining and reaching an agreement ○ <i>Health</i>: describing symptoms; understanding doctors' instructions; showing concern and relief ○ <i>Sightseeing</i>: asking for recommendations before going on a trip; interrupting politely to ask for further information; asking for further details ○ <i>Getting around</i>: asking for and giving advice in the context of public transport ○ <i>Asking the way</i>: asking for and giving directions ○ <i>Travel</i>: making an internet booking and booking into a hotel ○ <i>Emergencies</i>: reporting a crime and giving exact details of people and objects ○ <i>On the phone</i>: taking complex phone messages; asking for clarification and checking understanding on the phone; leaving clear and concise voicemail messages ○ <i>Presentations and talks</i>: structuring presentations with appropriate signposting; dealing with (i.e. deflecting) tricky questions ○ <i>Requesting services</i>: making appointments at convenient times; insisting on what you want (politely but firmly); bargaining and/or negotiating ○ <i>Dealing with money</i>: functional language used in the context of money when abroad ○ <i>Describing your school</i>: common vocabulary and practice speaking in the context of your school ○ <i>Writing postcards</i> for various occasions ○ <i>The language of texting and personal messaging</i> ○ <i>Informal letters</i>: exponents of acceptance / refusal, thanks, apology ○ <i>Formal letters</i>: writing letters of application, complaint 			
Course Reading List				