Università degli Studi di Firenze

Dipartimento di Formazione, Lingue, Intercultura, Letterature e Psicologia Corso di Studio in Lingue, Letterature e Studi Interculturali L-11

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Lingua Inglese 2 a.a. 2023-24 (12 CFU) English for Academic Purposes (EAP)

Lettorato Programme

Teachers: Deidra Dvorak, Scott Failla, John Gilbert, Isabella Martini, Karen McLachlan, Stephania

Portoghese, Elizabeth Sherman and Louise Williams

Lettorato Coordinator: Deidra Dvorak

These are the obligatory modules in Lingua Inglese 2:

Course of Prof. Brownlees

The course is entitled "Text types and language varieties in a diachronic perspective". In particular, the course will examine how over the last four centuries the language of news and advertising has adapted to the socio-historical and material context in which the texts have been produced.

Lettorato "English For Academic Purposes" 2 courses:

1. **EAP Reading and Writing** (compulsory for ALL students (annual course: 2 hours per week in both semesters)

and

2. **EAP Listening and Speaking** (annual course: 2 hours per week in both semesters) **or**

Translation (annual course: 2 hours per week in both semesters)

All modules have to be completed successfully in order to Pass Lingua Inglese 2.

Lessons

Prof Brownlees' lessons start 18 Oct 2023 Lettorato lessons start on week of 25 Sept 2023

EAP Reading and Writing (compulsory for ALL students) (2 hours per week)

In this course, students will encounter a wide range of engaging, academically oriented texts and practice a variety of reading strategies. Students will also learn to express themselves accurately in formal written style and to respect the conventions of citation required for academic papers. Course attendance is compulsory and students will be expected to do weekly preparation for class.

The first semester will focus on the techniques of summary writing, referencing and academic discourse patterns. Building on these foundations, the second semester guides students through the various stages in the writing of a full academic paper, in preparation for their final thesis. Attention is focused on the main structural components of academic papers and on the ways in which arguments are sustained and supported. The stylistic and pragmatic features of academic discourse are also examined, as are the "rules of etiquette" characteristic of the academic community. There will be one assessed assignment at the end of the first semester and two assessed assignments in the second semester.

EAP Listening and Speaking (2 hours per week)

This course aims to make students aware of what is involved in communicative competence and develop their oral production and listening skills. The first semester will focus on researching a topic, structuring argumentation and note taking and will culminate in a formal discussion on a specific subject. The second semester will continue to build on research and argumentation, focusing on how to give a successful formal oral presentation with the support of Powerpoint slides which will constitute the final exam.

Students will be expected to participate actively in class and do weekly preparation for lessons. Course attendance is compulsory and requirements include completion of homework tasks, individual voice recordings, and the conversation exchange project. The assessments on which the final grade is calculated will comprise a listening test and formal discussion at the end of the first semester and a listening test and presentation at the end of the year.

Translation (2 hours per week)

This is a full-year course (both semesters) and will be organized primarily as a practical workshop dealing with the translation from Italian into English of different text types, focusing mainly on non-narrative academic and journalistic texts as well as some narrative texts. Particular attention will be given to translation strategies based on contrastive grammatical analysis, lexical choice and the use of language corpora, dictionary usage, questions of style, and the concepts of equivalence and cultural untranslatability. There is no textbook. Monolingual and bilingual dictionaries are required and should be used in class (in paper or electronic form). Exercises and texts for translation will be posted on moodle and also made available at Copisteria X in Via San Gallo 72r. There will be a written midterm exam at the end of the first semester and a final written exam at the end of the course, both consisting of a passage to translate into English. Passing the midterm exam is necessary before being able to do the final exam.

Conversation Exchange Programme CEP (compulsory for all students)

In one of the two semesters, students will take part in a conversation exchange project with American university students. There will be 2/3 meetings with English native speakers, arranged by the course teachers. Students will be informed at the start of the course regarding logistics and the conversation Assignment to complete with American partner students. Attendance and task completion in the Conversation Exchange is obligatory.

Lettorato Course Material

ESP books for *Lettorato* courses R&W and L&S are used during class and for homework. Students are encouraged to obtain both books for these courses, available at Libreria Alfani Editrice, Via degli Alfani, 84. The Skillful Student's books contain extra support and learning material in digital form which teachers ask to be completed. If you obtain used books please be aware that the digital material will not be available. The resources used in the courses are:

- Skillful Second Edition Level 4 Reading and Writing Premium Student's Pack (ISBN 978-1-380-01088-9). Authors: Lindsay Warwick and Louis Rogers, Macmillan education.
- Skillful Second Edition Level 4 Listening and Speaking Premium Student's Pack (ISBN 978-1-380-01082-7). Authors: Emma Pathare and Gary Pathare, Macmillan education.

Translation

All material will be posted on J.Gilbert's L-11 Lingua inglese 2 moodle page and also be available at Copisteria X, via San Gallo 92r.

Enrolment for the courses will open on 21 September at 18.00

Enrolment is exclusively online on the *Lingua Inglese 2* Moodle page. All students must enrol for both *Lettorato* courses. There will be separate enrolment lists for Reading & Writing, Listening & Speaking and Translation.

Only students who have passed all components of *Lingua Inglese 1* and registered their grade with Prof Brownlees by 15 September 2023 can enrol in the second year.

If you do not manage to get into a group, please do not write to individual teachers, as they will ask you to speak directly to the lettorato coordinator. Special office hours to help students get into a group where places are available.

Teachers' Office Hours

Teachers have individual office hours each week. You can find your teachers' office hours details via *CercaChi* online service of the University website.

Tutor Help Service

This service provides guidance on questions and problems regarding courses.

Students can contact Tutor Help Service by:

tel: 055 2756651 email: tutorlilsi@unifi.it facebook: tutor lingue unifi

Final Grade Registration (Verbalizzazione)

The *titolari* are responsible for registering (*verbalizzazione*) the final grades for the *Lingua Inglese* 2 at the end of the academic year. Students are required to register through *prenota esami* on the unifi website. Information regarding the dates and procedure will be posted in the *Verbalizzazione* section on the Moodle page. All the requirements for the three obligatory modules of *Lingua Inglese* 2 must be met for successful completion of *Lingua Inglese* 2.