

Course Description

Course Unit

English C2 Academic Writing

UC Code

ENG3.12216

ECTS Credits

6 ECTS

Work Hours

168H (6 ECTS)

Level

BA

Academic year and Semester

2024/2025, S2

Faculty

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Class

TP 3

Language of instruction

English

Class Description

This course is designed to provide a comprehensive review of the foundations of Academic English. It is divided into three core segments: Academic Writing; Academic Language Focus; Academic Presentation Skills.

Academic Writing

In addition to exploring the conventions of academic writing in general, this segment of the course will focus primarily on the language and structures involved in the writing of an academic paper. The following areas of study will be explored:

- Organisation, structure and cohesion
- Academic register

Writing an Academic Paper

- Thesis statement and topic sentences
- Paraphrasing, summarising and in-text citations
- Expression of arguments, evidence and stance
- Hedging
- Writing a literature review
- Writing an abstract

Academic Language Focus

Particular emphasis will be placed on the essential aspects of academic grammar that frequently pose difficulties for non-native learners.

- Demarcation and punctuation
- Transitional language
- Present Perfect vs. Past Simple
- Passive Voice

Academic Presentation Skills

With a view to developing the skills required for oral presentations in an academic context, the central features of this segment of the course are as follows:

- Organisation and Structure
- Appropriate use of lexis
- Signposting language
- Awareness of register
- Delivery

Grading and Assessment

Listening and Summary 20%

Academic Essay 30%

Group oral presentation - 20%

Individual oral presentation - 30%

Students must be present for ALL the elements of evaluation;

Worker-students may opt for continuous assessment (in which case they must comply with all the assessment criteria set for regular students) OR sit the Época Especial de Avaliação examination.

Bibliography

Eligibility to enrol in English C2

Prerequisites (if applicable)

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