

Course Description

Course Unit

English Strong Vantage (B2.2)

UC Code

ENG2.11926

ECTS Credits

6 ECTS

Work Hours

168H (6 ECTS)

Level

BA

Academic year and Semester

2024/2025, S1

Faculty

Katarzyna Karpowicz-Osowska

Class

TP 5

Language of instruction

English

Class Description

This course is the second part of a B2 level, following from English Vantage B2.1. It will follow the objectives

outlined in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. It aims at:

- consolidating English structures;
- increasing students' speaking fluency and accuracy, so that they can interact with a degree of spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party;
- improving students' ability to understand concrete and abstract texts, including literary ones;

- increasing students' ability to express their viewpoints on complex and frequently polarizing issues, both in speech and writing;
- improving students' writing skills, especially with regard to essay writing;
- expanding students' vocabulary;
- improving students' listening comprehension skills.

Language skills will be developed through:

- Reading: newspaper/magazine articles, short stories, a novel;
 - Writing: essays, emails, creative writing pieces;
 - Speaking: discussing everyday and abstract issues; an oral presentation; participation in discussions and debates; roleplaying everyday life situations;
 - Listening and watching: audio files, short videos, TED talks, a documentary film;
- Doing grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation exercises.

Grading and Assessment

The aims of the course will be achieved by means of a varied range of activities which will serve as the basis for continuous assessment. There will be equal attention given to the development of all four language skills: reading, listening, writing and speaking. In class, students will often work in pairs and in groups. Oral presentations will be done individually.

Assessment criteria:

- Attendance + class participation - 25%
- Oral presentation (TED talk style) - 25%
- Test (vocabulary + grammar) - 25%
- Final essay (written in class, based on a novel) - 25%

Bibliography

Having successfully completed English B2.1 or having been placed in English B2.2 as a result of a placement test.

Prerequisites (if applicable)

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