

Course Description

Discipline/Course: English for Business and Professional Communication
Training programme for university staff “English. Module 3”

Department of Methods of Teaching Foreign Languages

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Course Objectives:

The course “English for Business and Professional Communication” aims to develop a foreign language communicative competence in professional and business discourse and enable the participants to communicate with their foreign partners at A2/B1 level of language proficiency according to “The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.”

Course Outline:

Section 1: Jobs and areas of expertise.

Section 2: Career ladder. Teacher’s and researcher’s career.

Section 3: Recruitment. Relocating for a job.

Section 4: Work and motivation.

Section 5: Priority research fields of National Research Tomsk Polytechnic University (TPU).

Section 6: Advanced discoveries and modern technologies.

Section 7: Green Economy.

Section 8: Engineer. Engineer researcher.

Section 9. International contacts of TPU for scientific and educational purposes.

Section 10. Public lecturing.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, the participants will be able to:

- use the appropriate language and structure in oral and written communication according to the communicative tasks in the sphere of business and professional communication;
- demonstrate ability to comprehend authentic business and professional texts while listening and reading;
- select and use special terminology and phraseological units appropriate to participate fluently in communication within their professional field.

Course Delivery: one semester, 18 weeks

Prerequisites: Level of English Language Proficiency A1/A2 in compliance with CEFR.

Co-requisites: Disciplines of English. Module 3.

Final Assessment: examination

Course Developer: Elena O. Zakharova, PhD