

Subject card

Subject name and code	Practical English I, PG_00141022						
Field of study	English Studies						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study		
Mode of study	part-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	1		Language of instruction		English		
Semester of study	1		ECTS credits		11.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Institute of English and American Studies -> Faculty of Languages -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Joanna Tillack				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	112.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	112
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	112		8.0		155.0	275
Subject objectives	The aim of the classes is to improve practical knowledge of English, taking the B1 level as the starting point and the CEFR level B1+ as the end point. General and academic language training will include four language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing, including the ability to create logical and coherent spoken and written texts, improve vocabulary knowledge and expand syntactic resources, consolidate grammatical correctness, as well as develop language fluency and correct pronunciation. The Practical English Course (PNJA) consists of four components: integrated skills, practical grammar, phonetics and written English.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[FAL3_K07] Is ready to take on responsible professional roles, including the observance and dissemination of ethical principles, in various spheres of activity related to the use of the English language.	is ready to perform professional roles responsibly and comply with the principles of ethics in various areas related to the use of English at the B1+ level.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK2] presentation/project/paper/report [SK3] text preparation/written work
	[FAL3_K05] Is ready to engage in social and professional life, including undertaking and co-organising activities for the social environment, also using knowledge and skills in the field of English, linguistics and English-language literature.	Is ready to engage in social and professional life using his knowledge and skills in the field of English at the B1+ level.	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report [SK3] text preparation/written work
	[FAL3_K03] Is ready to make decisions and to critically evaluate and take responsibility for the consequences of their own actions and the actions of the teams in which they participate, in particular when performing analytical and interpretative tasks in the field of English-language literature and linguistics.	is ready to make decisions independently, critically evaluate his own actions, the actions of the teams he/she manages and the organizations in which he/she participates, and accept responsibility for the consequences of these actions	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[FAL3_K01] Critically evaluates the extent of their knowledge and skills, in particular in the field of the English language, linguistics and English-language literature.	Is ready to critically evaluate one's knowledge in the field of practical English at the B1+ level.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK3] text preparation/written work
	[FAL3_W14] Knows and understands the grammatical and lexical principles of the English language, the principles of the construction of written and oral statements, and the cultural conventions of communication in English at C1 level.	Knows the grammatical structures and lexical items as well as knows how to construct written and oral statements within the framework of cultural conventions of communication in English at the B1+ level.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work
	[FAL3_U12] Independently plans and implements lifelong self-education, in particular in the field of the English language, linguistics and English-language literatures.	Can independently plan and implement their own lifelong learning of practical English.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work
	[FAL3_U01] Searches, analyzes, evaluates, selects and integrates information from various sources, interpret and draw conclusions, in particular with regard to issues related to the English language, linguistics and English-language literature.	Is able to search, analyse, evaluate, select and interpret information regarding the use of Practical English from various sources at the B1+ level.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAL3_U06] Prepares texts and speeches, takes part in discussions in English and translates English-language texts, following the cultural conventions of English-language communication.	Is able to create written and oral statements at the B1+ level, observing the cultural rules of communication in English.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAL3_W17] Knows and understands the basic concepts and principles of copyright law, in particular those applicable to research in the field of linguistics and literature in the framework of English philology and in professional work.	Knows and understands the concept and principles of property protection and copyright in relation to the use of other sources in texts created by oneself in English.	[SW3] text preparation/written work
	[FAL3_W12] Knows and understands selected issues and terminology relevant to the study of history, culture and realities of English-speaking countries, which constitute the basic context for research on the English language and English-language literature.	Knows and understands selected issues related to the history, culture and realities of life in English-speaking countries, which appear in the teaching materials at the B1+ level.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work

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	[FAL3_W05] He / she has advanced knowledge of the basic conceptual and terminological apparatus in the field of linguistics, including in particular those applicable in the study of the English language.	Has detailed knowledge of general and special purposes English lexis at the B1+ level.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW3] text preparation/written work
	[FAL3_U11] Interacts with others, plans and organizes individual and team work.	Is able to plan and organize individual and team work, cooperating with others learning practical English at the B1+ level.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[FAL3_U09] Speaks and writes in English at C1 level.	Can communicate in English, i.e. listens and reads with comprehension, writes essays and speaks at the B1+ level.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU3] text preparation/written work [SU4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	Integrated course component Reading Texts at B1/B1+ level: shorter and longer texts, including selected short authentic texts. Skills: developing general understanding of the text (reading for gist) and practicing targeted reading (skimming and scanning), reading for understanding selected, more detailed information such as the function of the text, the opinion/attitude of the writer towards the content presented, the tone of the text. Lexis The lexical scope is closely related to the topic of classes. Word formation: verbs with complex meanings (so-called phrasal verbs) in the literal and metaphorical sense, gerunds, prefixes and suffixes, noun and adjective compounds, analyzed in texts and practiced productively in word formation tasks; semantic relations: synonyms, antonyms, polysemy and homophony; collocations, idioms and expressions; examples of colloquial and formal register. Listening Texts: adapted for pedagogical purposes and short authentic texts, both dialogues and monologues. Skills: developing the ability to understand globally and to understand selected content aspects such as the topic being discussed, the speaker's opinion and attitude towards the presented content, directly communicated and implied content; practicing the use of paraphrase in describing the content of the texts listened to (three and four-option multiple choice questions). Speaking: Tasks: exercises with information gaps, dialogues, group conversations, and individual short statements in the class forum. Skills: developing interactive competences (initiating interactions, exchanging information and views, expressing agreement and disagreement, engaging in dialogue discourse, cooperation with an interlocutor, maintaining a conversation) and monologue skills (summarizing and summarizing the content discussed, one's own opinions and those of interlocutors in the class forum, providing justification for one's own opinions); monitoring pronunciation, at the level of individual sounds and sentence stress. Written English component Individual and team work in the text creation process. The role of team dynamics in writing scripts and the text production process. Stages of the text writing process, individual and team, and stages of its editing. Feedback from the Instructor and other team members on the text created individually and collectively. The paragraph as the basic element of the text. Paragraph structure and organization: topic sentence, supporting evidence, concluding sentence. Coherence and coherence of the paragraph. Overview of syntactic issues: sentence structure in English and basic sentence types; conjunctions and adverbial connectors. Review of spelling and punctuation issues. Verification of the credibility of sources and documentation of sources. Practical Grammar component The practical grammar course includes organizing and expanding knowledge of the rules of English grammar at an advanced level. The goal is to be able to correctly use the rules of grammar in practice. Topics in semester 1: Parts of speech and parts of sentences. Verb. Verb forms. Tenses. Infinitive and gerund forms after verbs. Passive voice. Modal verbs. Student's own work: selection according to the given sources: prepositions. Practical Phonetics: Presenting the accent diversity of the English language (native and non-native accents). Standard sound system British English and its graphical representation (phonemic chart). Phonetic alphabet and introduction to phonetic transcription. Speech apparatus and articulatory settings. The consonant system of the English language (the way and place of their articulation). Work on the pronunciation of English sounds in the order chosen by the teacher, with emphasis on the sounds that cause the most difficulty.		

Prerequisites and co-requisites	Entrance requirement: Knowledge of English at B1 level Additional requirements: The student receives a pass with a grade. The student must complete each component of the course to obtain a pass. To pass the course, the student must obtain 51% of the total number of points, including all components. The student obtains credit based on active participation in classes and discussions, performing mandatory tasks, presentations, projects, and passing tests.		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Written English: essays	51.0%	25.0%
	Practical Grammar: written tests	51.0%	25.0%
	Phonetics: speaking and written tests	51.0%	25.0%
	Integrated Skills: listening and reading comprehension tests; use of English tests; speaking tests, individual and group presentations	51.0%	25.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	A.1. Obligatory sources: 1 Integrated skills: 1 Biber, Douglas, Susan Conrad and Geoffrey Leech (2002). Longman Student Grammar Of Spoken And Written English. Pearson. 2 O'Dell, Felicity (2000) English Vocabulary in Use. Upper-Intermediate. Cambridge University Press. 3 McCarthy, Michael and Felicity O'Dell (2008). English Collocations in Use Advanced. Cambridge University Press. 4 McCarthy, Michael and Felicity O'Dell (2007). English Phrasal Verbs in Use Advanced. Cambridge University Press. 5 McCarthy, Michael and Felicity O'Dell (2017). English Vocabulary in Use Advanced. Cambridge University 6 Wybrane materiały z podręczników na poziomie C1, np. Bell, Jan and Roger Gower (2015). Advanced Expert. Pearson. 7 Tests: Cambridge CAE: French, Amanda (2015). Advanced Testbuilder. Third Edition with key and 2 CD. Macmillan. 8 Tests: Cambridge CAE: University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations (2008). Certificate in Advanced English for updated exam with answers 2. Cambridge University Press. 9 Online materials selected by the teacher, especially BBC documentaries. 10 Authentic materials prepared by the teacher. 2 Written English: 1 Huntley, Helen (2005). Essential Academic Vocabulary. Cengage Learning. 2 Jordan, R.R. (2008). Academic Writing Course. Longman. 3 McCarthy, Michael and Felicity O'Dell (2008). Academic Vocabulary in Use. Cambridge University Press. Morley, John, Peter Doyle and Ian Pople (2007). University Writing Course. Express Publishing. 4 Oshima, Alice and Ann Hogue (2007). Introduction to Academic Writing. Level 3. Pearson Longman. 5 Oshima, Alice and Ann Hogue (2007). Writing Academic English. Level 3. Pearson Longman. 6 MLA Handbook. Ninth edition. (2021). MLA Style Centre. 3 Practical Grammar: 1 Foley, Mark and Diane Hall (2012). My Grammar Lab. Pearson. 2 Foley, Mark and Diane Hall (2008). Advanced Learners Grammar. Longman. 3 Hewings, Martin (2007). Advanced Grammar in Use. Cambridge University Press. 5 Vince, Michael (2009). Language Practice for First. Heinemann. 7 West, Clare (2013). Recycling Advanced English. Cambridge. 4 Practical phonetics: 1 Baker, Ann (2011). Ship or Sheep Intermediate Pronunciation course. Cambridge University Press. 2 Hancock, Mark (2003). English Pronunciation in Use Intermediate. Cambridge University Press. 3 Hewings, Martin (2007). English Pronunciation in Use Advanced. Cambridge University Press.
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	Supplementary literature	A.2. Self study sources: 1 Cambridge Advanced Learner's Dictionary, w. CD-ROM. Fourth edition. (2014) Cambridge University Press. 2 Jones, Daniel (2011). Cambridge English Pronouncing Dictionary. Cambridge University Press. 3 Macmillan English Dictionary For Advanced Learners (2002). Macmillan. 4 Macmillan https://www.macmillandictionary.com/. 5 Online materials, especially selected by students, e.g. Ted talks, BBC filmy documentaries, BBC Radio 4 . 6 Porzuczek, Andrzej, Arkadiusz Rojczyk, Janusz Arabski (2016). Praktyczny kurs wymowy angielskiej dla Polaków. Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Śląskiego. 7 Vince, Michael (2003). Advanced Language Practice with Key. Macmillan. 8 Rhetorics: Giving opinions (2021). EFL Magazine - The magazine for English language teachers. Available at https://eflmagazine.com/functions/agreeing-disagreeing/ Accessed 28.05.2021. Presentations (2021). EFL Magazine - The magazine for English language teachers. Available at https://eflmagazine.com/business-english-2/presentations/ Accessed 28.05.2021. Resources (2021). EFL Magazine - The magazine for English language teachers. Available at https://eflmagazine.com/resources/ Accessed 28.05.2021 Speaking (2021). EAPFoundation.Com. Available at https://www.eapfoundation.com/speaking/ Accessed 28.05.2021 A.3 Supplementary literature: 1 Huddleston, Rodney and Geoffrey K. Pullum (2002). The Cambridge Grammar of the English Language. Cambridge University Press. 2 Macpherson, Robin (2002). English for Writers and Translators. PWN. 3 Ponsonby, Mimi (1998). How Now Brown Cow. Prentice Hall. 4 Roach, Peter (2012). English Phonetics and Phonology. Cambridge University Press. 5 Sobkowiak, Włodzimierz (2004). English Phonetics for Poles. Wydawnictwo Poznańskie. 6 Underhill, Adrian (1994). Sound Foundations. Macmillan.
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Developing general text comprehension (reading for gist) and practicing targeted reading (skimming and scanning) Developing the ability to understand globally and to understand selected content aspects such as the topic being discussed, the speaker's opinion and attitude towards the content presented, content communicated directly and implied Developing interactive competences (initiating interactions, exchanging information and views, expressing agreement and disagreement, engaging in dialogue discourse, cooperation with the interlocutor, maintaining the conversation) Stages of the text writing process, individual and collective, and stages of its editing Tenses. Infinitive and gerund forms after verbs. Passive voice. Modal verbs. Standard sound system British English and its graphical representation (phonemic chart).	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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