

30143 - English language IV

Syllabus Information

Academic year: 2023/24

Subject: 30143 - English language IV

Faculty / School: 179 - Centro Universitario de la Defensa - Zaragoza

Degree: 563 - Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Organisational Engineering

ECTS: 6.0

Year: 4

Semester: First semester o Second semester

Subject type: Optional

Module:

1. General information

The main objective: to consolidate the B2 level and move towards the C1 level. The general objectives are:

1. Develop the ability to communicate according to the B2 and basic C1 descriptors.
2. Promote the ability to work autonomously, encouraging self-learning, collaborative work and ICTs.
3. Promote interest in English as a tool for access to other areas.
4. Discuss topics of general and professional interest: SDGs, peace missions, armed forces in emergency situations, ...

"Defence profile: These approaches and objectives are aligned with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations Agenda 2030 (<https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/es/>), such that the acquisition of the learning results of the subject provides training and knowledge, skills and competencies to contribute to some extent to their achievement."

2. Learning results

- Use the English language for communication in the professional field.
- Effectively handle texts, technical documentation and original materials in English.

3. Syllabus

Grammar: Alterations in grammatical order, emphasis and changes in style structures (formal/informal) for ordering, suggesting and recommending. Verbs with preposition, adverb or both.

Lexicon and thematic content: Lexicon related to national defence doctrine, planning and the process of decision in operations. Acronyms, abbreviations and jargon.

Specialized discourse: Communicating plans and objectives to a group. Debate on current issues. Language for leadership and communication.

Functions: Decision making and problem solving. Discussion of complicated situations and proposal of solutions. Analysis of facts and conclusions.

4. Academic activities

Oral communication: Present and discuss a wide variety of topics including professional ones such as military operations using models based on STANAG 2014. Speculate on complex events such as the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) or past and present conflicts.

Written communication: Write short essays or comments on well-structured professional content articles and adapted to conventional standards and formats.

Presentations: Use of problem-solving techniques in the presentation of professional topics (planning, battle study, decision processes, etc.) and of general interest (current and past conflicts, SDGs, etc.).

5. Assessment system

The evaluation can be done by Continuous Evaluation (CE) or a Global Test (PG). The best grade will prevail.

A. CE

All five evaluation instruments (IE) must be passed.

Evaluation Instrument	Weighting	RA-1	LR-2.
Oral Presentation	20%	X	X
Oral Comprehension	20%	X	X
Oral Expression	20%	X	X
Written Comprehension	20%	X	X
Written expression	20%	X	X

B. PG

Those who do not pass the CE or want to improve their qualification can apply for the PG:

B.1. Students who have not passed the subject by CE: Any skill below 50% must be repeated. When the average of the CE is below 60%, any skill below 60% should be repeated.

Students who have not passed the exam may sit for the second PG exam.

B.2. In order to improve the grade:

Students must take the exams for the five CE IEs

In order to pass the subject, no IE will obtain a grade lower than 50%. The average of the five skills will be equal to or greater than 60%. The final grade will be obtained from the average of the skills (%) transformed to a scale of one to ten with up to one decimal place. A 60 is equivalent to a 5, and a 100 is equivalent to a 10.