

INFORMATION FOR PHD STUDENTS

MAKE-UP TEST FOR 2017/2018:

18 September, 2018 at 9:00, ROOM G 211 A

EXAM DATES FOR 2018/2019:

To be announced later at

<https://fns.uniba.sk/pracoviska/celofakultne-pracoviska/kja/informacie-pre-doktorandovinformation-for-phd-students/>

Students may register through AIS (Academic Information System) up to 24 hours before the day of the exam.

COMPOSITION OF EXAM:

9.00 - 9.30 grammar

9.40 - 10.40 reading

10.50 - 11.20 listening

11.30 - 12.00 writing

12:15 - speaking with lecturer

NEWS!

The Department of Languages is pleased to announce the publication of

TEST YOUR READING SKILLS: A HANDBOOK FOR SCIENCE DOCTORAL STUDENTS and **TEST YOUR LISTENING SKILLS: A HANDBOOK FOR SCIENCE DOCTORAL STUDENTS** designed primarily for PhD students from the Faculty of Natural Sciences of Comenius University.

The aim of the books is to help you prepare for the English language exam.

Both publications can be purchased at the Predajna Skripta (stationary shop) at PriF UK next to the Green Lab on the main floor.

One of the tests from the publications will be used in the test itself.

WE ASK ALL STUDENTS WHO HAVE ANY
RECOGNIZED CERTIFICATES TO ALSO REGISTER
FOR THE EXAM IN AIS AND BRING A PHOTOCOPY
OF THE CERTIFICATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
LANGUAGES.

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR ID CARD TO THE
EXAM!!!

SEMINARS

We ask all students to enrol in the AIS system for individual subjects and come to the first lesson at the beginning of the semester (IN THE WEEK FROM 24 September, 2018) according to the timetable.

WRITING PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH

In the school year of 2018/2019, there will be a one-semester course called WRITING PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH, which will be led by Canadian lecturer, Michael Sabo.

The maximum number of students in the group is 25. We only accept those students who have the subject registered in AIS2.

Students who are interested in the subject shall come directly to the first lesson of the semester. In the case of a greater interest in the course, a second group will also be created.

Students can choose whether to attend the winter semester or summer semester.

Successful course graduates do not have to do the part "WRITING" as part of the PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH examination.

WRITING PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH WITH MICHAEL SABO

michaelsabo30@gmail.com

Thursday 8:10-9:40 B1 209 (*the first lesson shall begin 27 September, 2018*)

In the case of greater interest in the course, a second group will also be created upon mutual agreement with the lecturer.

COURSE SYLLABUS

The aim of the course is to help the student improve their professional writing skills in the scope of scientific abstracts and research papers. The course will focus on the parts of a research paper such as the Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion and Conclusion. Students will submit written parts of the paper for correction and comment on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. Lectures will focus on grammar, language use such as linking words and introduction/conclusion of paragraphs, writing style, explanation of figures, graphs and tables, as well as writing exercises during the lesson. The final mark will be based on the receipt of all parts of the research paper and abstract as well as attendance, class participation and overall improvement in professional writing.

Required material: CD-ROM WRITING PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH

The classroom B1 209 is located on the right, at the end of the hallway directly below the „Bagetka“ cafe.

PROFESSIONAL ORAL COMMUNICATION

In the school year of 2018/2019, there will be a one-semester course called PROFESSIONAL ORAL COMMUNICATION, which will be led by Canadian lecturer, Michael Sabo.

PROFESSIONAL ORAL COMMUNICATION - GIVING PRESENTATIONS WITH MICHAEL SABO

michaelsabo30@gmail.com

Wednesday 8:10-9:40 G 417 (*the first lesson shall begin 26 September,2018*)

COURSE SYLLABUS

The aim of the course is to help the student improve his/her presentation skills in a simulated conference/symposium setting. The course will consist of 6 lectures focusing on technique and delivery of a good presentation and 6 lectures where students will present their topic of research and receive feedback. The topic for presentation: anything that the student finds interesting, current research at the faculty or a related topic to the student's field of study. By the end of the course the student will be able to present and discuss their topic effectively in English with a variety of tools and tips provided during the lectures. The mark of the course will be determined from the feedback provided by the rest of the students as well as class participation and attendance.

PROFESSIONAL ORAL COMMUNICATION - DISCUSSIONS WITH MICHAEL SABO

A discussion course in which students shall decide on the topics during the initial lessons.

Wednesday 9:50-11:20 G 417 (*the first lesson shall begin 26 September,2018*)

COURSE SYLLABUS

The aim of the course is to help the student improve their debating skills when discussing current topics. The course will focus on several widely-discussed and current global matters such as health care, technology and international relations. Students will work both individually and as a team and will present their arguments in the form of a weekly debate. Debating skills will be assessed on the student's use of language, ability to provide supportive evidence and overall persuasion of judges in evaluation of arguments. The course emphasizes critical thinking and provides a way for those who hold opposing views while discussing controversial issues without descending to insult, emotional appeals or personal bias. The final mark will be based on a final debate, class participation and a midterm test on debating "language".

Those interested in this subject may register for the course in AIS. The maximum number of students is 20. We only accept those students who have this subject registered in AIS2.

Students who are interested in the subject shall come to the first lesson of the semester. In the case of greater interest in the course, a second group will also be created.

The course will take place both in both winter and summer semesters.

Students can choose whether to attend the Winter semester or Summer semester.

Successful graduates of the course do not have to do the part of "SPEAKING WITH THE LECTURER" as part of the examination of the subject PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH.

SPEAKING PART WITH THE LECTURER

Michael Sabo will be available during and after each examination date.

Regular seminars for PhD students are not offered at Prif UK, so you can attend any courses and language schools or study independently at your own discretion.