MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY (Latin)

Responsible organisational unit:
Department of Languages for Specific Purposes

Programme director:
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90 minutes/week

Assessment: 3 written tests

Role of subject in fulfilling the aim of training:
Students get familiarized with the Latin and Greek terminology of medicine in order to facilitate the acquisition of other subjects. Special focus is dedicated to anatomy, physiology, pathology and pharmaceutics. Furthermore, the course provides an introduction into general scientific terminology.

Brief description of subject:
The main aim of the subject is:
1. to acquire a knowledge of about 500-600 Latin words and phrases as a minimum vocabulary (basic vocabulary of medical and scientific language),
2. the correct application of
   a) anatomical names,
   b) names of diseases
   c) names of drugs,
3. to understand diagnoses and prescriptions;
4. to learn about abbreviations used in prescriptions.
5. to be able to make a clear distinction between medical terms of English and Latin/Greek.

Course content of practical lessons:
1. Grammar:
   Nouns: the 5 Declensions
   Adjectives - construction of the most important attributive structures with the vocabulary of anatomy, clinical subjects and of pharmaceutics.
   Prepositions (in anatomical, clinical and pharmaceutical phrases)
   Numerals: Usage on prescriptions.
2. Texts containing:
   a) anatomical names;
   b) clinical and patho-anatomical diagnoses;
   c) prescriptions
3. Vocabulary

Latin and bilingual (Greek-Latin) nouns, adjectives, numerals and prepositions used in anatomy, the clinical subjects and pharmaceutics;

Course material, recommended text book(s), professional literature and supplementary reading(s)
Bakó A. *Medical Terminology*. Course material provided by the Institute in pdf.