Semmelweis University, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Languages for Specific Purposes

Title of the course: Preparation Course for the University Professional Exam in English / German/ French / Italian / Spanish / Russian for Medical Purposes

Neptun-code:

Type: Optional

Credit points: 2, 1x90 minutes per week

Course director: Katalin Fogarasi PhD

Topics of the course:

The course prepares students for the B1/B2 level University Professional Exam. The course is built upon authentic conversations using specific terminology, on written / spoken terminology panels and special documentation using terminology. Its aim is to get students from level A2 to level B1/B2 communication using terminology; to deepen students’ special knowledge.

1. Introduction, university studies, subjects, specialities
   Skills: asking for basic information, orientation in medical fields

2. Presentation of university studies. Body regions, body parts and related symptoms.
   Skills: interviewing the patient for present complaints and documentation

3. Choosing a specialty. Diseases, predispositions and surgeries
   Skills: medical history, interviewing the patient about family diseases and social conditions, case summary

   Skills: instructions, communicating probability of the disease, writing referrals, patient path

5. Presentation of the research area or the chosen area of expertise. Medication dosage, indications and contraindications, side effects
   Skills: interpretation of information on the package; instructions for use of the medicine

6. Daily professional routine. Examining the patient with diagnostic devices
   Skills: interpreting laboratory findings; preparing the patient for examination, informing the patient, correcting a prescription

   Skills: patient interview ABCDE checklist and referral using the SBAR tool; summary of case description

Skills: interviewing and informing the patient; description of patient path; case summary
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Skills: interviewing and informing the patient; use of medicines; summarizing patient information
Skills: interviewing and informing the patient; description of patient path; case summary
12. The role of alternative therapies in modern pharmacy. Endocrinological, neurological and metabolic
diseases.
Skills: interviewing and informing the patient; description of patient path; case summary

Requirements for attending the course and catching-up opportunities:

Attendance of lessons is obligatory. Students are allowed to have two absences per semester. In the case of more
absences, the teacher may deny giving signature (TVSz 17§ 7). Students who miss a class, can make up for it (two
times a semester).

Possibilities to justify absence:
A medical certificate for long-term sickness or hospitalization is required if students are absent more than 2 times.

Midterm and end-term test and possibilities for retake:

Midterm and end-term test (week 7 and 13) and oral exam (week 14)
Topics of midterms: see the topics of the course.
Students who fail the midterm test must retake it out of the hours of the lesson

Requirements for signature:

Attendance of lessons is obligatory. Students are allowed to have 2 absences per semester. In the case of more
absences, the teacher may deny giving signature (TVSz 17§ 7). Students who miss a class, can make up for it (two times a semester). Students must pass both tests. Active participation is required during the lessons.

Determination of the final grade:

The evaluation of student performance is based on the marks received for the 2 written papers, the oral
exam, and received for active participation in classes. Tests under 50% must be retaken. In the latter case,
the mark fail will also be calculated towards the final mark.
0–50% = 1 (fail)
51–60% = 2 (pass)
61–75% = 3 (satisfactory)
76–89% = 4 (good)
90–100% = 5 (excellent)
**Type of exam:** practice mark

**Application for the exam:** –

**Modification of the application for the exam:** –

**Justification of absence from the exam:** –

**List of course material and secondary literature:**

Diaz-Gilbert MEd, Miriam.: English for Pharmacy Writing and Oral Communication. LWW, 2008

Authentic material compiled by the Department of Languages for Specific Purposes. Textbooks per specific languages according to the list provided.