

SYLLABUS

Academic year: 2020/21
Semester: Autumn

Course code: SD.083
Course title: Lennunduse inglise keel
Aviation English

Lecturer: Ere Saar (Lecturer)
Credit points: 6.0 ECTS

Learning objectives: The primary goals of the course are to improve the students' competence in spoken English, their listening skills and to extend and reinforce their knowledge of general as well as aviation-specific vocabulary and terminology. Emphasis is also placed on enhancing reading and writing skills in aviation context and on grammar practice.

Short description: The course focuses on identifying weaknesses in students' language skills, improving their ability level in all aspects of the English language and remedying recurring faults. The topics addressed are concerned with aviation. In addition, the course covers specialist vocabulary and terminology.

Learning outcomes:

1. The students having passed the course have increased their vocabulary of general English and that of aviation for active use both in spoken and written language.
2. The students have acquired the level of spoken English that would enable to deliver a monologue or participate in a conversation with natural fluency and flow of speech and convey the meanings and thoughts with much more confidence.
3. The students have improved their listening skills.
4. The students have improved their reading skills.
5. The students have improved their writing skills.
6. The students have reinforced their knowledge of English grammar.

Individual work: Different speaking, listening, reading, writing or grammar tasks must be completed for each seminar.

Assessment methods: In order to pass the course, the students have to do four tests, finish all homework assignments and attend the seminars. Tests I, II and III account for 20% each and the test IV 40% of the overall grade.

Course schedule:

Week	Topic, short description
01 seminar 3h	Introduction to the subject, ice breaker (Ere Saar)
02 seminar 3h	Descriptions, instructions and procedures. Fuselage, empennage and wing: structural elements, their locations and interconnections. Interactive: working through exercises, explanation, discussion (Hans Künka)
02 seminar 3h	Physical characteristics: shapes, lines and objects. Main aircraft dimensions Interactive: working through exercises, explanation, discussion (Hans Künka)

03 seminar 3h	Movement and technical operations; description of processes. Learning about facilitating, compatibility and functions. Interactive: working through exercises, explanation, discussion(Hans Künka)
03 seminar 3h	Actions and their dependence on possibility, probability and necessity, with regard to arranging for maintenance operations. Interactive: working through exercises, explanation, discussion (Hans Künka)
04 seminar 3h	Learning about technical states and installation; also about failures and damage. Capstone element (Hans Künka)
04 seminar 3h	Test I, based on the engineering-related material studied (Hans Künka), miscommunication, direct questions (Ere Saar)
05 seminar 3h	Airport layout, runway incursion, prepositions, present tenses (Ere Saar)
05 seminar 3h	Aircraft being lost (Ere Saar)
06 seminar 3h	Past tenses, communication technology and flight control systems (Ere Saar)
06 seminar 3h	Future tenses, animals and birds posing threat to aircraft (Ere Saar)
07 seminar 2h	Test II (Ere Saar)
07 seminar 3h	Animals and birds posing threat to aircraft, expressing preferences (Ere Saar)
08 seminar 3h	Gravity, comparatives and superlatives (Ere Saar)
08 seminar 3h	Gravity, health issues on aircraft (Ere Saar)
09 seminar 3h	Health issues on aircraft, making suggestions and giving advice (Ere Saar)
09 seminar 3h	Fire (Ere Saar)
10 seminar 3h	Fire, giving orders, meteorology (Ere Saar)
10 seminar 3h	Meteorology (Ere Saar)
11 seminar 2h	Test III (Ere Saar)
11 seminar 3h	Landings (Ere Saar)
12 seminar 3h	Landings, fuel (Ere Saar)
13 seminar 3h	Fuel (Ere Saar)
13 seminar 3h	Depressurisation (Ere Saar)
14 seminar 3h	Depressurisation, security (Ere Saar)
14 seminar 3h	Security, passive voice and reported speech (Ere Saar)
15 seminar 1h	Feedback session (Ere Saar)

Grading criteria:

Passed — Giving at least 61% correct answers in the tests, attending at least 75% of the seminars and presenting all homework assignments.

Not passed — Giving less than 61% correct answers in the tests and/or attending less than 75% of the seminars and/or not presenting all the homework assignments.

Compulsory materials:

Emery, Henry and Roberts, Andy "Aviation English for ICAO Compliance" 2008