English for Physics course A.A.2018 - 2019

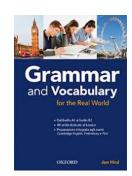
Thursdays from 16:00 to 19:00, Aula G. Careri

Student-Teacher communication:

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Textbook:

• Jon Hird, Grammar and Vocabulary for the Real World, Oxford, 2015



We will be doing selected exercises from this book that I will present during lessons.

Other material:

Articles from newspapers and magazines, such as The New York Times, New Scientist, Time magazine.

Internet resources:

TED talks: https://www.ted.com/talks

You will have access to both the textbook exercises and all the articles on the Facebook page and in the Google folder that you have a direct link to.

Educational objectives:

At the end of the course you should be able to:

- detect and use major English grammatical structures
- have a competent knowledge of English language and vocabulary used in the real, everyday and specific scientific contexts.
- read specific scientific newspaper and magazine articles, and journals and be able to analyse them in detail.

Activities:

Lectures, class discussions, exercises (reading, analysing, syntactic structures and writing).

You will be asked to participate and answer questions and do some pair as well as individual work

Attendance policy:

The attendance of the course is not obligatory. All students are strongly advised to attend as often as possible though. Students with an external linguistic competence certificate certified by one of the organisations recognised by MUIR at a B2 level or above, should also attend classes but will be exempt from taking the final exam.

Organisation of the final examination:

The final exam is for **ALL** students enrolled on the course except for those with an approved external linguistic competence certificate (see below).

A schedule for each exam will be available on Infostud a few days after the bookings are closed. The test will be **WRITTEN** and will be based on the Cambridge FCE exam, testing your reading competencies, grammar, use of English and vocabulary skills.

In the case a student should not pass the exam:

You will be asked to take an additional speaking part of the test, which will be in the format of a scientific article that you will be asked to read aloud, and answer some questions on grammatical structures as well as use your discursive and analytical skills.

External linguistic competence certificate:

If you have an external linguistic competence certificate certified by one of the organisations recognised by MUIR at a B2 level or above, you can have this certificate registered with the following procedure:

- Send me an email with a scanned copy of your certificate
- You will then have to book for one of the available exam dates
- Come with the original certificate and a valid form of ID (passport or Carta d'Identità). A schedule for each exam will be posted on Infostud a few days after bookings have closed.

Office hours:

By appointment to be arranged after class or by email.