

English for Academic Purposes – C1

This course aims to develop your academic writing, speaking, reading and listening skills to a C1 (Common European Framework) level (advanced).

Target audience: All students

Description

You will work on perfecting your understanding and mastery of academic English by developing your knowledge of advanced grammatical and lexical structures, awareness of register, and ability to write and speak in an academic context.

This course is designed to reach the target level in 20 sessions spread over two semesters. You can take one semester only and get ECTS for that semester but you will not have reached a C1 level.

Learning outcomes

By the end the 20-week course, you should be able to do the following at C1 level:

- **Write** texts using a wide range of structures and cohesive devices
- **Speak** fluently in seminars and debates, as well as deliver presentations effectively
- **Understand** complex academic texts
- **Understand** lectures and discussions
- **Use** a wide range of vocabulary and grammatical structures to express yourself clearly and precisely

Prerequisites

B2 in English (Common European Framework)

No certificate is required, but if your level is lower than this, you should take the B1 or B2 Academic English course instead. To self-assess your CEFR level, see <https://www.coe.int/en/web/portfolio/self-assessment-grid>.

Bibliography

Hewings M. & Thaine, C. (2012). *Cambridge Academic English: An integrated skills course for EAP, Advanced*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. ISBN: 9780521165211

Evaluation

Note that you must attend at least 7 out of 10 sessions per semester *and* pass the course to be awarded credits.

Per semester, your grade is composed of the following:

- Midterm test (25%) of the units covered in the first 5 weeks
- Assignments (25%): three written assignments and one oral assignment
- Final test (50%) of the units covered in weeks 6 to 9 for those who passed the midterm test and of all units covered for those who didn't

Registration

- Via Moodle (“Browse courses” > Language Centre > English > Academic English

