

PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH FOR COMMERCE & MANAGEMENT

OBJECTIVES:

- To develop the language skills of students by offering adequate practice in professional contexts.
- To enhance the lexical, grammatical and socio-linguistic and communicative competence of first year physical sciences students
- To focus on developing students' knowledge of domain specific registers and the required language skills.
- To develop strategic competence that will help in efficient communication
- To sharpen students' critical thinking skills and make students culturally aware of the target situation.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Recognise their own ability to improve their own competence in using the language
- Use language for speaking with confidence in an intelligible and acceptable manner
- Understand the importance of reading for life
- Read independently unfamiliar texts with comprehension
- Understand the importance of writing in academic life
- Write simple sentences without committing error of spelling or grammar

(Outcomes based on guidelines in UGC LOCF – Generic Elective)

NB: All four skills are taught based on texts/passages.

UNIT 1: COMMUNICATION

Listening: Listening to audio text and answering questions

- Listening to Instructions

Speaking: Pair work and small group work.

Reading: Comprehension passages –Differentiate between facts and opinion

Writing: Developing a story with pictures.

Vocabulary: Register specific - Incorporated into the LSRW tasks

UNIT 2: DESCRIPTION

Listening: Listening to process description.- Drawing a flow chart.

Speaking: Role play (formal context)

Reading: Skimming/Scanning- Reading passages on products, equipment and gadgets.

Writing: Process Description –Compare and Contrast
Paragraph-Sentence Definition and Extended definition- Free Writing.

Vocabulary: Register specific -Incorporated into the LSRW tasks.

UNIT 3: NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES

Listening: Listening to interviews of specialists / Inventors in fields

(Subject specific)

Speaking: Brainstorming.(Mind mapping).

Small group discussions (Subject- Specific)

Reading: Longer Reading text.

Writing: Essay Writing (250 words)

Vocabulary:Register specific - Incorporated into the LSRW tasks

UNIT 4: PRESENTATION SKILLS

Listening: Listening to lectures.

Speaking: Short talks.

Reading: Reading Comprehension passages

Writing: Writing Recommendations
Interpreting Visuals inputs

Vocabulary: Register specific -Incorporated into the LSRW tasks

UNIT 5: CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS

Listening: Listening comprehension- Listening for information.

Speaking: Making presentations (with PPT- practice).

Reading: Comprehension passages –Note making.

Comprehension: Motivational article on Professional Competence, Professional Ethics and Life Skills)

Writing: Problem and Solution essay– Creative writing –
Summary writing

Vocabulary: Register specific - Incorporated into the LSRW tasks
