

Angebot des International Office und des Sprachenzentrums

Bridging Course - English – February 2021

(for bridging the gap between the English levels B1 and B2)

The course is designed for **resident students planning to spend a semester abroad (for study or placement purposes)** as well as incoming Erasmus+ students who have a current English level of B1. There is no exam at the end of the course. The focus is on learning and collaboration and actually using English.

Due to the current social distancing regulations this course will be an **online** course. All you need is a reliable internet connection and everyday computer skills. Remember, the focus is English not IT.

In this online course you will experience plenty of conversation practice, group work and role play scenarios to make this course student oriented and give you a lot of 'English talking time'.

Developing all four skills will be an integral part of the course. This will increase your knowledge and confidence in English allowing you to integrate abroad more quickly and easily.

The entire course will revolve around 21st century skills so that the principles of how you learn in the English class can be applied anywhere in the world.

Real life experiences are practiced and played out within the course, for example:

- being in a hospital after an accident-looks at speaking in stressful situations
- your bank card doesn't work and you are standing at the checkout-improves spontaneous conversation skills
- you are not happy with your accommodation-how to complain effectively.

Other Topics covered will include:

- Essential Grammar - we will concentrate on the basics to increase your confidence
- Small Talk basics-what do you say to the lady on the bus next to you? What topics are 'taboo'?
- Effective listening, telephone calls-did you understand the relevant information?
- Completion of your Curriculum Vitae (C.V.) - what information HAS to be in there? (by request)

- Preparation and delivery of presentations - do you have the confidence to stand up in front of a group of people and explain a topic in English?
- Vocabulary needed for emails-what should be included, the differences between private and business emails.
- Interview Techniques-role play will be used to interview you for a part-time job-are you prepared? Can you answer all the questions fluently? (by request)
- Cultural differences-do's and don'ts in your host country. When is it expected to shake hands-and with whom?
- Audio-Visual analysis
- These are just examples of the themes which form part of the course. As it is student driven, some topics may be added or left out, making this a tailor made course for you.

Kursdaten: 22.02.2021 – 05.03.2021 = vor Beginn des Sommersemesters 2021 (nachmittags, 10 x 4 LVS täglich, genaue Zeiten werden noch bekannt gegeben); geeignet für alle Fachbereiche!

Limitierte Platzzahl: Formlose Bewerbung bis 30.11.2021 per E-Mail an Frau Hülsen aus dem International Office schicken (janine.huelsen@hs-emden-leer.de). Die Platzvergabe erfolgt nach dem Bewerbungseingang.

Bitte geben Sie Ihren Studiengang, das Semester, Ihre Motivation für einen Auslandsaufenthalt und eine Selbsteinschätzung Ihrer bisherigen Englischkenntnisse an.

Bitte beachten Sie, dass keine Prüfung am Kursende stattfindet; daher gibt es keine Sprach-bzw. Levelbestätigung am Ende des Kurses und auch keine Credits; eine Teilnahmebestätigung wird ausgestellt, wenn Sie höchstens zweimal gefehlt haben.