



Universitat de Lleida

DEGREE CURRICULUM  
**INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH  
LANGUAGE AND TEACHING  
ENGLISH**

Coordination: VRACIU , ALEXANDRA

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Subject's general information

<b>Subject name</b>	INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND TEACHING ENGLISH			
<b>Code</b>	100879			
<b>Semester</b>	1st Q(SEMESTER) CONTINUED EVALUATION			
<b>Typology</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Character</b>	<b>Modality</b>
	Bachelor's Degree in Primary Training	2	COMPULSORY	Attendance-based
	Double bachelor's degree: Degree in Pre-school Education and Degree in Primary Training	2	COMPULSORY	Attendance-based
	Double bachelor's degree: Degree in Primary Training and Degree in Physical Activity and Sports Sciences	3	COMPULSORY	Attendance-based
<b>Course number of credits (ECTS)</b>	6			
<b>Type of activity, credits, and groups</b>	<b>Activity type</b>	PRAULA		TEORIA
	<b>Number of credits</b>	1.8		4.2
	<b>Number of groups</b>	5		5
<b>Coordination</b>	VRACIU , ALEXANDRA			
<b>Department</b>	SPECIAL DIDACTICS			
<b>Important information on data processing</b>	Consult <a href="#">this link</a> for more information.			

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## Learning objectives

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE

The goals of the 3 ECTS that belong to the English Language block are to consolidate both a written and oral B2.1 level and learn technical vocabulary related to the field of education as well as communicative and didactic strategies which may be useful in the students' future teaching career. This block contains the following academic objectives:

- To acquire linguistic knowledge for the learning and teaching of the English language, using formal and informal registers, both in written and oral level.
- To know and to use technical vocabulary and a proper use of the language taking Primary schools into consideration.
- To understand oral and written specialized texts related to Primary Education, identifying the most relevant information.
- To reflect on the didactic aspects of English as a global language and in multilingual contexts.

### ENGLISH DIDACTICS

The academic objectives of the 3 ECTS belonging to this block are the following:

- To know the specifications of the Primary Education curriculum related to the domain of the foreign languages and the basic principles of the communicative and competencial teaching of the foreign languages at the Primary Education stage.
- To plan teaching and to acquire practical abilities when selecting educational materials, in order to develop the understanding and the oral and written production at different ages and levels.
- To design and to develop didactic units, sessions, activities and materials, integrating the Information and Communications Technology, which allow to adapt the curriculum to the profile of a foreign language learner at the Primary Education stage as well as to their diversity, and to foster the quality of the contexts in which the learning process develops.
- To use assessment not only in its accrediting function, but also in its pedagogical function, as a regulating and promoting element to improve teaching, learning and professional training, and through reflection, promote self-assessment and research on our own teaching.
- To work collaboratively and to understand coordination as the base of teaching planning.

## Competences

Category	Competence
Basic	CB2. Students apply their knowledge to the work or vocational context in a professional way. They acquire the necessary competences to elaborate and defend arguments and solve problems within their study field.
	CB3. Students collect and interpret relevant data (usually within their study field) in order to formulate critical assessments based on reflecting about important topics for society, science or ethics.
General	CG3. Students effectively tackle language learning situations in multicultural and multilingual contexts.
	CG14. Students reflect on class projects in order to innovate and improve their teaching abilities. Students acquire habits and skills for both autonomous and collaborative learning to later promote it with their future students.
Cross-curricular	CT2. Students acquire a significant command of a foreign language, especially in English language.
	CT3. Students acquire the capacity to use new technologies and communication technology.
Specific	CE1. Students know the curricular areas of Primary Education, the interdisciplinary relationship between them, the evaluation criteria and the body of didactic knowledge around the respective teaching and learning procedures.
	CE3. Students effectively address language learning situations in multicultural and multilingual contexts.
	CE14. Students reflect on classroom practices to innovate and improve teaching.
	CE15. Students acquire habits and skills for autonomous and cooperative learning and promote it among students.

## Subject contents

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE

- **Module 1 – Use of English and Vocabulary**
  - a. Use of English

- i. Verb tenses
  - ii. Modal verbs
  - iii. Passive voice
  - iv. Conditionals
  - v. Relative pronouns
- b. Technical Vocabulary
  - i. Classroom language
  - ii. Rooms in a school
  - iii. Classroom material
  - iv. Actions in the playground/classroom
- o **Module 2 (RECEPTIVE SKILLS) - Reading and Listening**
  - a. Reading
    - i. Newspaper articles
    - ii. Fiction
  - b. Listening
    - i. Audio/video-based material related to education
- o **Module 3 (PRODUCTIVE SKILLS) – Speaking and Writing**
  - a. Speaking
    - i. Storytelling (in pairs)
  - b. Writing
    - i. Creative writing

**DIDACTICS OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**MODULE 1. Teaching languages in a competency--based curriculum**

- 1.1 Core competences and specific core competences
- 1.2 Competency-based assessment

**MODULE 2. Planning and designing activities in the Primary EFL classroom**

- 2.1 Current approaches to teaching foreign languages to young learners
- 2.2 Lesson planning for Primary EFL
- 2.3 Teaching listening and speaking
- 2.4 Teaching reading and writing

**Methodology**

- Master class in both face to face and virtual modalities
- Tutorials
- Group projects in both face to face and virtual modalities
- Writings
- Simulations

**Development plan**

Week	Description

Week 1 13/09/2021 - 17/09/2021	LANGUAGE. Module 1 – Use of English and Vocabulary and Module 2 (RECEPTIVE SKILLS) - Reading and Listening
Week 2 20/09/2021-24/09/2021	LANGUAGE. Module 1 – Use of English and Vocabulary and Module 2 (RECEPTIVE SKILLS) - Reading and Listening
Week 3 27/09/2021-01/10/2021	LANGUAGE. Module 1 – Use of English and Vocabulary and Module 2 (RECEPTIVE SKILLS) - Reading and Listening
Week 4 04/10/2021 - 08/10/2021	EXAM Module 1 and Module 2 LANGUAGE. Module 3 (PRODUCTIVE SKILLS) – Speaking and Writing
Week 5 11/10/2021-15/10/2021	LANGUAGE. Module 3 (PRODUCTIVE SKILLS) – Speaking and Writing
Week 6 18/10/2021-22/10/2021	LANGUAGE. Module 3 (PRODUCTIVE SKILLS) – Speaking and Writing
Week 7 25/10/2021-29/10/2021	EXAM Module 3
Week 8 01/11/2021-05/11/2021	DIDACTICS. MODULE 1. Teaching languages in a competency--based curriculum
Week 9 08/11/2021-12/11/2021	DIDACTICS. MODULE 1. Teaching languages in a competency--based curriculum
Week 10 15/11/2021-19/11/2021	DIDACTICS. MODULE 1. Teaching languages in a competency--based curriculum
Week 11 22/11/2021 -26/11/2021	DIDACTICS. MODULE 2. Planning and designing activities in the Primary EFL classroom
Week 12 29/11/2021-03/12/2021	DIDACTICS. MODULE 2. Planning and designing activities in the Primary EFL classroom
Week 13 06/12/2021-10/12/2021	DIDACTICS. MODULE 2. Planning and designing activities in the Primary EFL classroom
Week 14 13/12/2020-16/12/2020	DIDACTICS. MODULE 2. Planning and designing activities in the Primary EFL classroom
Week 15 20/12/2021-22/12/2021	DIDACTICS. MODULE 2. Planning and designing activities in the Primary EFL classroom

## Evaluation

The assessment will take into account the evaluation of the acquired knowledge and the quality of the tasks (presentations, micro-teaching, learning portfolio, test, etc.)

### Continuous assessment

The assessment of the subject consists of the following evidences:

#### 1. English Language

The evidences will be in class tests, scheduled to be taken during weeks 4 and 7.

Assessment of Module 1 and Module 2 consists of a use of English, specific vocabulary, reading comprehension and listening comprehension test. Assessment of Module 3 consists of an oral and a written production.

Within the percentage of evaluation for Module 1, Module 2 and Module 3 there is a part of work in class.

## 2. English Didactics

i) A written simulation of a didactic sequence of three sessions for a Primary Education English class. This assessment will be done in groups and it will be evaluated as a group.

The dates for the assessment will be agreed on during the first day of class among the whole group.

ii) A practical implementation of an activity of the didactic sequence in the form of virtual micro-teaching (or oral simulation). This evidence will be done in groups but assessed individually.

The dates for the assessment will be agreed on during the first day of class among the whole group.

The global assessment will be calculated through the following percentages:

<b>ENGLISH LANGUAGE</b>	50% of the final mark	15% MODULE 1
		15% MODULE 2
		20% MODULE 3
<b>ENGLISH DIDACTICS</b>	50% of the final mark	25% Oral simulation
		15% Written simulation
		10% Online tasks

Assessment criteria (English Language):

1. Shows a wide knowledge of the specific technical vocabulary and masters the use of the characteristic language at Primary schools.
2. Uses a fluent and accurate oral and written English, which the student regularly uses in class.
3. Understands specialized written and oral texts related to Education and Primary schools.

Assessment criteria (English Didactics)

1. Knows how to structure and design learning activities related to the Primary Education competences and addresses the different basic structures and specific dimensions of English as a foreign language.
2. Presents a didactic unit which shows an appropriate knowledge of the student's characteristics during the Primary Education stage and of the main psycholinguistics learning processes of foreign languages.
3. Shows a vast methodological knowledge through the use of tools, resources and teaching strategies and contemplates students' diversity during Primary Education.
4. Uses and employs the foreign language fluently and correctly.

### N.B.

All tests will be done in English. Linguistic accuracy and correction both oral and written will be evaluated through the standards of B2.1 CEFR level.

More than 10 basic mistakes (according to the communicative and vocabulary structures taught in Primary Education) in any of the evaluation tests will translate in a failing mark of 0 in that evaluation.

The **two blocks** (English Language and English Didactics) must have a **passing grade** in order to pass the subject and thus they must be **passed separately**.

The final mark for the course will be the result of the different partial marks and their respective percentages. The passing mark for the subject will be of 5 in each of the blocks (English Language and English Didactics).

## **IMPORTANT**

The results of each evaluating task corresponds solely to the present academic year.

The qualification of "Not presented" will be assigned if a student does evaluating tasks that weigh less than 30% of the percentage of the final mark.

According to the article 3.1 of the evaluating rules from the UdL, students are not allowed, under any circumstance, to use fraudulent mechanisms nor banned means. Those students who do any illegalities during an evaluation task or bring and uses forbidden technology will have to leave the exam room and will wait for the consequences that are listed in the university rules. Any activity that presents evidence of plagiarism or fraudulent uses will be qualified with a zero <0>.

### **Alternative Evaluation**

For the English Language block, the alternative evaluation will consist of an on-site final test (grammar, vocabulary and written expression) during the evaluation period and an online oral test (recording of an oral presentation).

For the English Didactics block, students are expected to hand in the written simulation of a didactic unit within a session and its implementation using digital resources. The didactic unit will weigh 20% of the final mark and the implementation will weigh 30% of the final mark. The deadlines for these tasks will be the same as for the continuous evaluation.