UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

FIRST DEGREE PROGRAMMES (CBCS SYSTEM) Career related 2(b)

Revised Syllabi for 2013 Admissions onwards

Semesters 1 & 2

LANGUAGE COURSES IN ENGLISH

SEMESTER I

FIRST DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH (CBCS System)

LISTENING AND SPEAKING SKILLS: EN 1111.4

Language Course I (English I) for Career related 2 (b)

No. of credits: 2

No. of instructional hours: 3 per week (Total 54 hrs.)

AIMS 1. To familiarize students with English sounds and phonemic symbols.

2. To enhance their ability in listening and speaking.

OBJECTIVES: On completion of the course, the students should be able to

- 1. listen to lectures, public announcements and news on TV and radio.
- 2. engage in telephonic conversation.
- 3. communicate effectively and accurately in English.
- 4. use spoken language for various purposes.

COURSE OUTLINE

Module 1

Pronunciation

Phonemic symbols – consonants – vowels –syllables – word stress - strong and weak forms - intonation.

Module 2

Listening Skills

Difference between listening and hearing –active listening – barriers to listening - academic listening - listening for details - listening to announcements - listening to news programmes.

Module 3

Speaking Skills

Interactive nature of communication -importance of context - formal and informal - set expressions in different situations – greeting – introducing - making requests - asking for / giving permission - giving instructions and directions – agreeing / disagreeing - seeking and giving advice - inviting and apologizing telephonic skills - conversational manners.

COURSE MATERIAL

Modules 1-3

Core reading: *English for Effective Communication*. Oxford University Press, 2013.

Further reading

- 1. Marks, Jonathan. English Pronunciation in Use. New Delhi: CUP, 2007.
- 2. Lynch, Tony. Study Listening. New Delhi: CUP, 2008.
- 3. Kenneth, Anderson, Tony Lynch, Joan MacLean. Study Speaking. New Delhi: CUP, 2008.

SEMESTER II

FIRST DEGREE PROGRAMME (CBCS System)

WRITING AND PRESENTATION SKILLS

Language Course for Career related 2(b) - EN 1211.4

No. of credits: 2

No. of instructional hours: 3 per week (Total 54 hrs.)

AIMS

- 1. To familiarize students with different modes of general and academic writing.
- 2. To help them master writing techniques to meet academic and professional needs.
- 3. To introduce them to the basics of academic presentation
- 4. To sharpen their accuracy in writing.

OBJECTIVES

On completion of the course, the students should be able to

- 1. understand the mechanism of general and academic writing.
- 2. recognize the different modes of writing.
- 3. improve their reference skills, take notes, refer and document data and materials.
- 4. prepare and present seminar papers and project reports effectively.

COURSE OUTLINE

Module 1

Writing as a skill – its importance - mechanism of writing – words and sentences - paragraph as a unit of structuring a whole text - combining different sources – functional use of writing – personal, academic and business writing – creative use of writing.

Module 2

Writing process - planning a text - finding materials - drafting - revising - editing -finalizing the draft - computer as an aid - key board skills.

Module 3

Writing models – essay - précis - expansion of ideas — letter writing - personal letters - formal letters - CV – surveys – questionnaire - e-mail – fax - job application - report writing.

Module 4

Presentation as a skill - elements of presentation strategies – audience – objectives – medium - key ideas - structuring the material - organizing content - audio-visual aids - hand-outs - seminar paper presentation and discussion.

COURSE MATERIAL

Modules 1-4

Core reading: English for Effective Communication. Oxford University Press, 2013.

Further reading

- 1. Robert, Barraas. Students Must Write. London: Routledge, 2006.
- 2. Bailey, Stephen. Academic Writing. Routledge, 2006.
- 3. Hamp-Lyons, Liz, Ben Heasley. *Study Writing*. 2nd Edition. Cambridge University Press, 2008.
- 4. Ilona, Leki. Academic Writing. CUP, 1998.
- 5. McCarter, Sam, Norman Whitby. Writing Skills. Macmillan India, 2009.