[Medicinski fakultet u Rijeci]

Curriculum
2022/2023

[Za kolegij]

Medical English VI

Study program:	**Medical Studies in English (R)** [Sveučilišni integrirani prijediplomski i diplomski studij]
Department:	**[Katedra za društvene i humanističke znanosti u medicini]**
Course coordinator:	**doc.dr.sc. Butković Matea**
Year of study:	**6**
ECTS:	**1**
Incentive ECTS:	**0 (0.00%)**
Foreign language:	**Possibility of teaching in a foreign language**

Course information:

Medical English VI is a compulsory course in the sixth year of the study of Medicine in English. It includes 20 hours of seminars (1 ECTS).

The course **aims** to improve students' oral and written academic skills and expand the vocabulary used when discussing and presenting scientific research and facts.

Course content: Critical reading of medical texts with accompanying reading comprehension and vocabulary exercises; short written assignments.
Topics that will serve as an incentive for the development of communication skills may include: euthanasia, genetic engineering, fertility, transplantation operations, assisted dying, abortion, conscientious objection, wearing a mask during a pandemic, and compulsory vaccination of children. Students will familiarize themselves with the guidelines for writing a scientific paper (introduction, research methods, results, discussion, objectives, main findings), especially key expressions necessary for the clear and precise communication of theoretical knowledge and scientific results, as well as for successful conference presentations.
Students' progress will be continuously monitored through short quizzes and completed written assignments. Students will receive constructive individual and group feedback on their progress. The course is considered passed after completing all written assignments (no later than the final seminar in week 10), the student participated in at least 70% of classes, and the final test has been passed.

Learning outcomes:
• understand professional and scientific texts, identify key ideas and specific information
• distinguish and apply different language registers (formal/informal expression)
• recognize grammatical and lexical structures typical of medical language in speech and writing
• apply acquired grammatical structures and medical terminology in written and oral expression

Course structure:
The course is organized through 20 hours of seminars. It is distributed continuously for 10 weeks. The course is based on the students' active participation in the seminars.

List of assigned reading:

Handouts available on Merlin.

Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary, W.B. Saunders Company

Merriam-Webster online dictionary

List of optional reading:

Chabner, D.-E. 2017. The Language of Medicine. St. Louis, Missouri: Elsevier.

Books, e-books, articles, Internet pages and other sources relevant to the topic of the oral presentation and written assignments.

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Student obligations:

Students must regularly attend seminars (minimum 70%), actively participate in classes, submit all written assignments on time, and pass the final test. If a student cannot complete a particular assignment by the agreed deadline and/or take the final test for justified reasons (e.g., in case of illness), they must inform the instructor at least 1 day in advance.

Exam (exam taking, description of the written/oral/practical part of the exam, point distribution, grading criteria):

The course ends with a test on a pass/fail basis, which is taken on the last day of the course. After completing all course requirements and participating in at least 70% of seminars, the students will receive a passing grade.

The test is considered passed when at least 50% of the total number of points is obtained.

Other notes (related to the course) important for students:

All updates, weekly class materials, and test results will be available to students on the Merlin platform.

In order to promote academic integrity, all written work will be checked in the Turnitin plagiarism system and the AI Content Detector software to check for AI-generated content.

COURSE HOURS 2022/2023

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List of lectures, seminars and practicals:

EXAM DATES (final exam):
