



Information about the subject

Degree: Bachelor of Degree in Marine Sciences

Faculty: Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Experimental Sciences

Code: 271106 **Name:** English

Credits: 6,00 **ECTS Year:** 1 **Semester:** 1

Module: Modern Language

Subject Matter: Modern Language **Type:** Basic Formation

Field of knowledge: Artes y Humanidades

Department: Basic and Cross-disciplinary Sciences

Type of learning: Classroom-based learning

Languages in which it is taught: English

Lecturer/-s:

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Module organization

Modern Language

Subject Matter	ECTS	Subject	ECTS	Year/semester
Modern Language	6,00	English	6,00	1/1

Recommended knowledge

Intermediate level of English recommended.



Learning outcomes

At the end of the course, the student must be able to prove that he/she has acquired the following learning outcomes:

- R1 The student will be able to use intermediate level English grammatical structures.
- R2 The student will be able to read texts written in English related to Marine Sciences and to understand them in a satisfactory way.
- R3 The student will be able to write documents in English, using mechanisms of coherence and cohesion at an intermediate level.
- R4 The student will be able to understand a conversation, radio program, documentary, etc. in English of intermediate level relative to subjects of Sciences of the Sea and to answer information about this recording.
- R5 The student will be able to transmit information and ideas orally on both abstract and concrete topics, making a minimum of mistakes that do not hinder their comprehension by the listener.
- R6 The student will be able to defend arguments and negotiate with colleagues until a conclusion is reached.
- R7 The student will be able to work in a team through oral or written exercises in which a final decision must be made.
- R8 The student will be able to have a multicultural vision by learning about other customs and cultures, for which English is the common communication tool.



Competencies

Depending on the learning outcomes, the competencies to which the subject contributes are (please score from 1 to 4, being 4 the highest score):

BASIC		Weighting			
		1	2	3	4
CB1	Students acquire and understand knowledge in their field of study based on general secondary education but usually reaching a level that, although supported on advanced text books, also includes aspects involving state-of-the-art knowledge specific to their area.			X	
CB2	Students are able to apply knowledge to their work in a professional way and have the competences enabling them to state and defend views and opinions as well as perform problem-solving tasks in their field of study.		X		
CB3	Students are able to collect and interpret relevant data (generally in their field of study) and give opinions that involve reflection on relevant social, scientific or ethical issues.		X		
CB5	Students develop the necessary learning skills to undertake further studies with a high level of autonomy.			X	
GENERAL		Weighting			
		1	2	3	4
CG1	Capacity to analyze and synthesize			X	
CG2	Capacity to organize and plan		X		
CG4	Command of a foreign language				X
CG6	Capacity to manage information (capacity to look for and analyze information coming from different types of sources)				X
CG7	Decision making	X			
CG8	Capacity to work in interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary team			X	



CG10	Critical and self-critical capacity		X		
CG11	Capacity to learn				X
CG12	Capacity to adapt to new situations		X		
CG16	Capacity to apply theoretical knowledge			X	

SPECIFIC		Weighting			
		1	2	3	4
CE8	Identifying and analyzing new problems and proposing solution strategies		X		



Assessment system for the acquisition of competencies and grading system

Assessed learning outcomes	Granted percentage	Assessment method
R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	70,00%	Written test with theoretical and practical questions
R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	10,00%	Delivery of guided assignments, whose objectives and contents will be proposed by the teacher
R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	10,00%	Problem-solving and issues related to the use of specific software
R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	10,00%	Oral presentation

Observations

According to the general evaluation and qualification regulations, the preferred evaluation system will be by means of continuous evaluation. The continuous assessment for this course will consist of a series of exercises to be completed in due time and manner on the platform, along with an in-person mock exam that will take place throughout the semester.

A minimum grade of 5/10 is required in the written exam to take the activities and assignments submitted into account and therefore pass the subject.

Finally, according to article 10 of the current assessment regulations, in the event that it is impossible for students enrolled in a face-to-face degree to attend, they may opt for 'single assessment'. This is an extraordinary and exceptional assessment system available to those students who, in a justified and accredited manner, are unable to undergo the continuous assessment system and request it within the first month of each semester, by the means provided for this purpose. The Dean of the Faculty shall decide on the admission of the student's request for a single assessment.



MENTION OF DISTINCTION:

In accordance with the regulations governing the assessment and grading of subjects in force at UCV, the distinction of "Matrícula de Honor" (Honours with Distinction) may be awarded to students who have achieved a grade of 9.0 or higher. The number of "Matrículas de Honor" (Honours with Distinction) may not exceed five percent of the students enrolled in the group for the corresponding academic year, unless the number of enrolled students is fewer than 20, in which case a single "Matrícula de Honor" (Honours with 9 Distinction) may be awarded. Exceptionally, these distinctions may be assigned globally across different groups of the same subject. Nevertheless, the total number of distinctions awarded will be the same as if they were assigned by group, but they may be distributed among all students based on a common criterion, regardless of the group to which they belong. The criteria for awarding "Matrícula de Honor" (Honours with Distinction) will be determined according to the guidelines stipulated by the professor responsible for the course, as detailed in the "Observations" section of the evaluation system in the course guide.

Learning activities

The following methodologies will be used so that the students can achieve the learning outcomes of the subject:

- M1 Teacher presentation of contents, analysis of competences, explanation and in-class display of skills, abilities and knowledge.
- M2 Group work sessions supervised by the professor. Case studies, diagnostic tests, problems, field work, computer room, visits, data search, libraries, on-line, Internet, etc. Meaningful construction of knowledge through interaction and student activity.
- M5 Application of multidisciplinary knowledge.
- M6 Personalized and small group attention. Period of instruction and/or guidance carried out by a tutor to review and discuss materials and topics presented in classes, seminars, readings, papers, etc.
- M8 Set of oral and/or written tests used in initial, formative or additive assessment of the student.
- M9 Group preparation of readings, essays, problem-solving, seminars, papers, reports, etc. to be presented or submitted in theoretical, practical and/or small-group tutoring sessions. Work done on the university e-learning platform (www.plataforma.ucv.es)
- M10 Student's study: Individual preparation of readings, essays, problem-solving, seminars, papers, reports, etc. to be presented or submitted in theoretical, practical and/or small-group tutoring sessions. Work done on the university e-learning platform (www.plataforma.ucv.es).



IN-CLASS LEARNING ACTIVITIES

	LEARNING OUTCOMES	HOURS	ECTS
ON-CAMPUS CLASS M1	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	40,00	1,60
PRACTICAL CLASSES M2	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	15,00	0,60
GROUP PRESENTATION OF ASSIGNMENTS M5	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	1,00	0,04
TUTORIAL M6	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	2,00	0,08
ASSESSMENT M8	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	2,00	0,08
TOTAL		60,00	2,40

LEARNING ACTIVITIES OF AUTONOMOUS WORK

	LEARNING OUTCOMES	HOURS	ECTS
GROUP WORK M9	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	20,00	0,80
INDEPENDENT WORK M10	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8	70,00	2,80
TOTAL		90,00	3,60



Description of the contents

Description of the necessary contents to acquire the learning outcomes.

Theoretical contents:

Content block	Contents
Unit 1	Present tenses (simple, continuous-state verbs-passive-howoften..?); Positive and negative adjectives; Marine Science. Career opportunities
Unit 2	Past tenses (simple and continuous)- past perfect-used to; Spelling and pronunciation; lost sounds Earth's oceans
Unit 3	Advice-obligation and permission (modal and related verbs); phrasal verbs Ports and navigation
Unit 4	Future forms (will-going to-present continuous)-future possibilities (may-might-could); word building Weather and climate. Sea plants
Unit 5	Information questions; Describing people, places and things, adjectives-adverbs Fish and fisheries
Unit 6	Present perfect (passive-adverbs-time expressions; likes and dislikes Marine mammals



Organization of the practical activities:

	Content	Place	Hours
PR1.	Visit to Calpe with observation and note-taking of port and coastal elements, as well as specimens of flora and fauna, for the preparation of a written and visual glossary in English.	Field visit	8,00
PR2.	Oral presentation by groups in English of topics and problems related to Marine Sciences, such as contamination by microplastics, climate change, endangered species, etc.	Lecture room	7,00

Temporary organization of learning:

Block of content	Number of sessions	Hours
Unit 1	5,00	10,00
Unit 2	5,00	10,00
Unit 3	5,00	10,00
Unit 4	5,00	10,00
Unit 5	5,00	10,00
Unit 6	5,00	10,00



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