

## Professional & (pre-) Master Skills in English

Are you that motivated, ambitious student who aims for an international career, or would you like to continue your education internationally and do a (pre-) master study? If so, then this is the minor you should follow to help you on your way to a successful future. The six modules of the Minor “**Professional & (pre-) Master Skills in English**” provide you with the necessary practical professional and academic skills to fully operate at the highest level in any professional and/or academic environment in English.

Learning a language is one thing, but maintaining your language skills and being able to apply these skills professionally in a range of situations is crucial for your future career. Therefore, this minor is particularly aimed at students who already have a good command of English (B2, C1 or C2 level) or who have obtained a higher Cambridge certificate.

In this minor you are going to put your knowledge and skills in English into practice through a wide variety of professional and academic assignments. Furthermore, you will not only become an excellent user of the English language but your personal development will also receive an enormous boost. You will understand and profess the norms and professional etiquettes that are required in an international business setting or academic environment.

These are the six 5 EC modules:

- A. *Advanced English 1*
  - Refresher course grammar, advanced vocabulary, collocations, transcriptions C1 CEFR
- B. *Advanced English 2*
  - Advanced grammar and error correction, avoiding mistakes, phrases, proverbs etc. advanced vocabulary, synonyms C2 CEFR
- C. *The English Speaking World*
  - UK and USA Civilization, international affairs, influence on the world, politics, economy, social affairs, justice systems and other topics, Plus difference in language and accents/dialects
- D. *Skills 1*
  - Argumentative essay writing, discussions of professional and academic articles, corporate communication and marketing communication, public affairs, press releases and public relations, European tenders
- E. *Skills 2*
  - Giving and preparing presentations of international affairs, extensive application training, organising - preparing – chairing – and participating in meetings, discussions, debates, etc.
- F. *The Final*
  - An individual academic or professional paper needs to be produced, presented and defended. Critical thinking and reading, research, use of sources, APA, style of writing.

**If possible (Corona) we shall go on a (voluntary) field trip to an Irish university. This trip will cost approximately €400. Students who do not wish to take part in this field trip can do an alternative programme.**