

שם הקורס:

## M2 (Advanced MA) English Course

א. מטרת הקורס (מטרות על / מטרת ספציפיות):

### Course purpose and overview:

The main objective of the M2 course is to improve students' proficiency in English for communication in academic and/or professional settings. The primary focus is on enhancing writing skills. To this end, a variety of rhetorical and linguistic skills are taught and practiced throughout the course. Speaking and listening are integrated into the class sessions and assignments, and all students prepare and deliver a professional/academic oral presentation. Communication in such genres as essays, summaries, email correspondence, PowerPoints, and research reports are studied and practiced.

ב. תוכן הקורס: (רציונל, נושאים)

מהלך השיעורים: (שיטות ההוראה, שימוש בטכנולוגיה, מרצים אורחים)

### Teaching techniques, technology use, guest speakers:

- ✓ Frontal lectures
- ✓ Pair/group work
- ✓ Individual tutorials
- ✓ Class discussions
- ✓ Moodle assignments (e.g. forums, videos)
- ✓ Internet use: videos, supplementary material (in class/homework)

תכנית הוראה מפורטת לכל השיעורים: (רשימה או טבלה כדוגמת המצ"ב)

### Writing and language components

Below is a list of the writing and language skills taught and practiced in the course.

- ✓ Writing for an audience
- ✓ Writing a thesis statement
- ✓ Paragraph writing (structure and development)
- ✓ Cohesion (transitions and rhetorical markers)
- ✓ Essay writing
- ✓ Summarizing
- ✓ Paraphrasing
- ✓ Writing from sources (citation, quoting, plagiarism)
- ✓ Abstracts and empirical research articles
- ✓ Academic language and register (e.g. hedging, formality)
- ✓ Relevant grammatical and mechanical issues
- ✓ Preparing academic/professional presentations (structure, presentation skills, PPT preparation)

### Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to do the following:

- ✓ Write in English for a variety of academic and professional purposes (e.g. exposition, argument, summary) in their own fields
- ✓ Develop effective academic rhetorical skills and demonstrate awareness of basic stylistic conventions
- ✓ Identify and correct linguistic problems in their writing
- ✓ Enhance oral proficiency by participating in class discussions and activities
- ✓ Prepare and deliver a professional/academic oral presentation

ד. חובות הקורס:

### Course requirements:

- ✓ Attendance and active participation in class sessions
- ✓ Successful completion of class assignments and homework
- ✓ Oral presentation

ה. מרכיבי הציון הסופי (ציון מספרי / ציון עובר):

### Components of the class grade:

The final course grade is pass/fail, with all coursework earning a minimum of 75 to merit a passing grade. The grade is based on a series of assignments completed throughout the semester as follows:

- ✓ Three writing assignments (70%): Assignments may be of various types and may include a paragraph on an academic topic, a research essay, a summary, or a part of a research paper.
- ✓ Oral Presentation (20%)
- ✓ Classwork / Homework (10%):

### Bibliography:

Authentic academic articles compiled by each lecturer in a course booklet posted on the Moodle System

Articles chosen by individual students based on their individual needs