

שם הקורס:

**M2 (Advanced MA) English Course**

1. **מטרות הקורס (מטרות על / מטרות 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.

1. **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)

**ג. תוצרי למידה:**

**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%)