

Module Details	
Module Title	English for Specific Academic Purposes
Module Code	LAU3002-B
Academic Year	2020/1
Credits	20
School	University Language Centre
Subject Area	Languages
FHEQ Level	RQF Level 3
Pre-requisites	N/A
Co-requisites	N/A

Contact Hours		
Type	Hours	
Online Lecture (Asynchronous)		36
Online Seminar (Synchronous)		24
Seminars		96
Directed Study		32

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Academic Year
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2

Module Aims	
<p>This module will familiarise you with the English language skills, vocabulary and conventions specific to your preferred pathway and future academic aspirations, and sufficient to cope with independent study at undergraduate level, i.e. equivalent to B2 (CEFR) level. You will be grouped in small class sizes with you on a 'Science and Health Pathway' or a 'Business and Social Science Pathway'. You will be able to speak individually and interact with others on pathway related academic topics, conveying the general message in most contexts; follow the argument of lectures and other longer stretches of speech on pathway related academic topics; understand a range of academic texts and complete a variety of tasks based on them; and cope with written assignments specific to your pathway at undergraduate level.</p>	

## Outline Syllabus

- ? Grammar, which will focus on rhetorical patterns prominent in pathway genres.
- ? Skills to support the independent learning of pathway-specific vocabulary and collocations.
- ? Academic listening skills relevant to pathway specific genres.
- ? Academic speaking skills for expressing rhetorical patterns appropriate to pathway-specific genres; awareness of the phonological features of English required to support ability in these skills.
- ? A range of strategies for fast and effective reading such as prediction, surveying, skimming, scanning, speed-reading, word-attack skills and discriminating main from supporting points; ability to evaluate and use sources and take notes.
- ? Skills for paraphrasing, summarising, organising, evaluating and critiquing academic writing.

### Learning Outcomes

Outcome Number	Description
01	Understand the appropriate communication strategies for conveying information and expressing evidence-based viewpoints on pathway specific topics.
02	Understand a wide range of English vocabulary and grammatical structures specific to your pathway.
03	Understand the characteristics of academic discourse specific to your pathway.
04	Participate in pathway-related discussion topics, using appropriate language to engage with the functional demands of your professional field.
05	Follow clear discussions, seminars, lectures and spoken media in English on pathway specific topics.
06	Reformulate and evaluate information from a variety of sources.
07	Read a variety of subject-specific texts using strategies appropriate to your purpose in reading.
08	Contribute to discussions, tutorials and seminars on pathway-related topics.
09	Identify the main points and supporting details of spoken genres related to your pathway; employ note-taking skills to extract relevant information.
10	Plan, structure and organise correctly-referenced written university assignments of the type you are likely to encounter on your future degree programmes.
11	Read a range of university-level texts and employ note-taking skills to extract relevant information.

## Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

You learn in small interactive groups formed around on task-based learner-centred tasks. There is a blend of face-to-face learning and online learning (synchronous and asynchronous).

There is a focus on authentic, pathway-related materials and tasks based on learner needs and you will be grouped according to your preferred pathway. You will work with both language and subject specialists learning in ways typical of your preferred pathway and future academic aspirations (LO 2, 3).

You will use a range of strategies to engage with and analyse pathway-related written and aural texts and activities and will develop your ability to produce spoken and written genres appropriate to context (LO 1).

Learning and assessment activities will be based on academic genres typical of your pathway, introducing to you the different teaching and assessment methods frequently used at university including scholarly articles, presentations, group discussion (LO 3, 4, 7, 8), structured interviews and lectures (LO 5, 9), involving tasks such as note-taking, summarising and reformulating, (LO 6, 9, 10, 11) and requiring subject specific vocabulary. (LO 2, 4, 5, 8, 10). Marking criteria will address successful completion of task to the level of English required for your pathway.

Mode of Assessment				
Type	Method	Description	Length	Weighting
Summative	Examination - Closed Book	Reading examination (online): 200 word summary of a 600 word article	1 hour 30 mins	25%
Summative	Coursework	Written assignment (1000 words), Supp: Reflective account of learning process	N/A	25%
Summative	Computer-based assessment	Listening test: 200 word summary of a 15 minute lecture	1 hour 30 mins	25%
Summative	Computer-based assessment	Speaking test. Group discussion	N/A	25%

### Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit <https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html>

#### Please note:

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