

## LNEER2440

2012-2013

## Dutch communication skills for students in psychology

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Language :	Néerlandais
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	The course is structured around field-related and socio-professional subjects
Aims:	The course aims at developing the Dutch communication skills of the student in order to enable him/her to function in the relevant social and professional contexts .
	Reading Comprehension:  - To be able to read articles and reports dealing with contemporary and field related problems in which the writers adopt particular viewpoints.  - To be able to understand standard field-related correspondence.  Level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
	Listening Comprehension Individual:
	- To be able to understand the main ideas of speeches and lectures provided the topic is reasonably familiar (field-related) To be able to understand most TV news and current affairs programs provided the topic is reasonably familiar (field-related). Interactive:
	<ul> <li>To be able to understand most conversations and debates bearing on field-related subjects.</li> <li>To be able to understand most of what is said in an everyday conversation provided standard language is being used.</li> <li>Level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages</li> </ul>
	Speaking Skills Individual:  - To be able to give a clear, prepared presentation and answer questions from the audience.  - To be able to explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options. Interactive:  - To be able to account for and sustain his/her opinions in discussion by providing relevant explanations, arguments and comments.  - To be able to communicate fluently and spontaneously, to a degree that allows normal interaction with native speakers. Level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
	Writing Skills:  - To be able to write a short report, summary or formal letter in order to pass on factual information.  Level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
	Code Vocabulary: consolidation of basic vocabulary (+/- 2000 words) and assimilation of specific vocabulary (+/- 500 words) Grammar: consolidation of the command of the basic structures of the Dutch language. The use of vocabulary and grammar is seen from a communicative viewpoint Nevertheless, accuracy is not neglected.
	Culture: In the development of all the above-mentioned skills the course will aim at making the students aware of Dutch and Flemish cultural aspects.
	The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Content :	The course focuses on interactive communication within the professional framework. The proposed activities therefore aim at developing communication skills in that area, as well as improving mastery of the language. These activities, which simulate real-life situations, are of two types:
	1) Presentation and activation of language functions related to the professional life (everyday socializing, telephoning, contributing to / organizing and conducting a meeting, taking part in a job interview / a negotiation, writing formal letters, a memorandum, an e-mail,
	<ul><li>).</li><li>2) Individual and interactive speaking activities related to the field of study. This part includes a presentation on a topic related to the field of study and a 30- minute-debate.</li></ul>

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	These activities require a certain amount of preparation on the part of the student, who has to improve his or her linguistic knowledge autonomously. The teacher will advise him/her in that matter and the Self-tuition Center of the Institute is at his/her disposal.
Other infos:	Prerequisites: The productive command of basic grammar and vocabulary as well as the command of the language skills of the B1- level as described in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.
	Assessment - Continuous assessment which takes into account the student's work and participation, his (/her) oral presentation and tests Oral exam based on a file of press articles and presentations given in class
	Course material Course notes : "Interactieve Communicatie" Reading portfolio with lexical aid
	Training staff Classes in groups of 15 to 18 students. The teacher is available during his/her office hours and can be contacted by e-mail. Guidance is also provided at the Self-tuition Center.
	Workload Classroom hours: 30 hours Self-study: 42 hours
Cycle and year of study :	> Bachelor in Psychology and Education: General
Faculty or entity in charge:	ILV