

# **Course Syllabus**

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
BADM-231	Business Communications	6
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
ENGL-101	Centre of Modern Languages	Fall/Spring/Summer
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Required	Language Expression	English
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study
1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	Victoria Kalogerou	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites
Face-to-face	N/A	N/A

## **Course Objectives:**

The main objectives of the course are to:

- make students aware of the various forms of communication within a business-oriented context;
- provide students with the know-how to develop effective message and fundamental business terminology to communicate professionally and successfully at the workplace;
- thoroughly discuss barriers in communicative situations and provide solutions for improvement;
- cover in detail all types of business messages including oral messages such as interviews and presentations;
- improve students' competence basically in writing as well as in other forms of business communication, such as public speaking.

# **Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- 1. create effective messages relating to routine business matters;
- 2. critically compare and evaluate business messages;
- 3. analyse communications strategies and select effective ways to handle effectively problems at the workplace;
- 4. use effective message formats and business related jargon in written situations;
- 5. apply their knowledge to handle oral situations such as interviews and presentations.



#### **Course Content:**

- 1. Fundamentals of Business Communication
- 2. Communicating in teams
  - a. Listening
  - b. Non-verbal communication
  - c. Intercultural communication
- 3. Good will and Good news messages
  - a. Routine memos, letters, emails
  - b. Complaints and Adjustments
- 4. Bad News Messages
  - a. Direct Approach
  - b. Indirect Approach
- 5. Persuasive Messages
- 6. CVs and Application Messages
- 7. Interviews for Employment
- 8. Communication through graphs and visual aids
- 9. Oral Presentations

# **Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Lectures, discussions, practical exercises.

### **Assessment Methods:**

Homework, Midterm, Final exam.

## **Required Textbooks / Readings:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Business Communications Today	Bovee, C. L, and Thill J. V.	Pearson	2014	9780132971294



# **Recommended Textbooks / Readings:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Essentials of Business Communication	Mary Ellen Guffey	South- Western College Pub	2009	0324588003