

Short Syllabus

CROATIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

COURSE STRUCTURE 35 HOURS

TEXT AND MATERIALS

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WHY CROATIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE IN ZSEM?

Today's global world demands a high degree of communication and understanding. Business and companies run their businesses all around the globe and international cooperation has never been more intense and more demanding. The knowledge of one more language in many ways opens doors and paths to business opportunities and enables us to understand each other better and to communicate and cooperate with each other better.

This course of the Croatian language and Culture provides a broad knowledge and good skills that will bring Croatia and the Croatian Culture closer to the students, which is going to be a huge comparative advantage in the students' future jobs and also in their social and civil activities. The course is aimed to prepare the students for everyday basic communication in Croatian as well as introduce them to Croatian customs, culture and history.

Goal: Global Environment 2

With this course students will get confidence in their communication in the Croatian language. Students will grasp complex verb form and also learn rich phraseology and various expression forms. The course is focused on rich and colorful expressions, both oral and written. A wide array of practice work will enable them to understand various and subtle forms of Croatian expression and to grasp their uniqueness; and many different texts, songs and videos from Croatia will be used as basis for analysis and learning. In this way, students will get an in-depth understanding of the Croatian culture. Having completed the course, students will be able to use the Croatian language actively, and they will be able to continue developing their language skills and knowledge on their own because they will have strong foundations of the language and culture to build on.

The general goal of this course is that students acquire advanced skills of presentation and communication in the Croatian language and, in this way, that they become efficient and skillful communicators. By getting in touch with the Croatian culture, language and mentality, students will develop the necessary confidence and acquire the necessary skills for doing business in our global environment.

TOPICS:

Introducing, Croatian pronunciation
Greeting, nationalities, names
the Present Tense of the Verb BITI (to be) - the unstressed form
Personal pronouns, Interrogative pronouns - TKO, ŠTO (who, what)
The Croatian alphabet
the Present Tense of the Verb BITI (to be)
the stressed form affirmative and negative
interrogative forms of the Verb BITI (to be)
Nationalities
professions
the Present Tense of the Verbs imati (to have), živjeti (to live)
The Croatian flag, administrative areas, money, religion
Volim, ne volim (I like, I dislike, I love, I do not love)
Hrvatski padeži – deklinacija (Croatian cases- declensions)
Cafés, restaurants
HRANA (food)
Koliko košta? (How much does it cost?) Brojevi (Numbers)
The Present Tense of the Verbs JESTI /PITI (to eat/drink)
Što oni jedu i piju? (What do they eat and drink?)
the Present Tense of the Verb IĆI (to go)
the expressions with the Verb to go (ići u grad, na posao, na izlet, u kafić...)
Imperativ (the Imperative Mood)
Affirmative forms, Negative forms
Priča o kravati (the story about the tie)
The Present Tense of the Verbs NOSITI, IZMISLITI (to wear, to invent)
To je život (This is life)
The Present Tense – Glagoli na –ati, -iti (verbs ending with -ati, -iti)
Negative forms
Interrogative “**li**”
Croatian museums (VISITING DURING THE SEMESTER – po želji studenata)
Slobodno vrijeme (free time)
Što možemo vidjeti i posjetiti u Zagrebu? (What can we see and visit in Zagreb?)
Povratni glagoli (reflexive Verbs)
Gdje ste bili? (Where were you?)
Perfekt (the Past Tense- formation and usage)
Moj vikend (My weekend)
Perfekt – vježba (practice)
Croatian Homeland War
Praznici i blagdani Republike Hrvatske (Croatian Holidays)
Redni brojevi (Ordinal Numbers)
Datumi (Dates), mjeseci (months), dani (days), godine (years)
Ovo nije zbogom (This is not Goodbye)
Futur (the Future Tense) , affirmative and negative forms
The last class
ORAL EXAM