



COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION

Course unit title	Code
Lithuanian language A1, I/II p.	

Annotation
The goal of this course is to introduce students to the basics of the Lithuanian language. It teaches not only basic communication in real-life situations (e.g., meeting people, ordering meals, navigating the city) but also conveys some sociocultural knowledge. All four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing) are emphasized during various communicative tasks and are related to everyday contexts.

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Study cycle	Type of the course unit
First	Free elective

Mode of delivery	Semester or period when it is delivered	Language of instruction
Face-to-face classes in group and self-study	Autumn or spring	English and Lithuanian

Requisites
Prerequisites: none Co-requisites (if relevant): course attendance is compulsory. Students who missed more than 5 classes without a reason are not eligible for the final examination. For classes to be missed, one must settle with a teacher. Credits are given only to those students who attended the course and passed both tests.

Number of ECTS credits allocated	Student's workload (total)	Contact hours	Individual work
5	128	70	58

Purpose of the course unit: programme competences to be developed
<p>The purpose of this course is to develop students' proficiency in the Lithuanian language at the A1.1 level. Depending on students' needs, practical tasks related to all four language skills (listening, speaking, reading, writing) are being developed during this course.</p> <p>The skill of proper communication in real-life situations in Lithuania is being developed during this course. Listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills are taught through clear, realistic, and up-to-date tasks that meet real-life demands.</p> <p>The skill of reading and understanding basic Lithuanian texts (e.g., public signs, announcements, schedules) for one's everyday needs is also being developed during this course.</p> <p>The skill of speaking while using basic Lithuanian vocabulary and grammar in the most important everyday situations (e.g., introducing oneself and others, providing information about oneself or asking about others, requesting directions, ordering food in restaurants) is also being developed.</p> <p>The skill of written communication in Lithuanian is also being developed: students will learn how to provide information about themselves (by filling out questionnaires) and how to inform others (by writing a message or a short personal letter). Students will also learn the basics of written Lithuanian (Lithuanian letters, most common endings of nouns and verbs).</p> <p>The competence of Lithuanian language proficiency for the level A1.1 is being developed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - grammar: cases of nouns and pronouns; main tenses of verbs; degrees of adjectives; cardinal and ordinal numerals. vocabulary: how to talk about personal identity, studies, household, family, city, food, free time.

Learning outcomes of the course unit	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
<p>After finishing this course, students will be able to:</p> <p>give information about oneself and ask for information about other, write from documents (or memory) personal information, e.g. in the questionnaire; ask questions about one's daily routine and answer these questions; understand place and time for a meeting; understand simple schedules; buy bus/train tickets; ask questions about arrival/departure of bus/train; understand information on the ticket (e.g. time, place); invite somebody to spend free-time together; ask for a price (e.g. of a dish, ticket, good); agree or refuse offer; thank for a service and respond to thanking; express a wish and respond to expressed wish; understand dates, names of people and places; ask about food products or menu; order food in the restaurant; ask for a check; express likes and dislikes; ask about other person's likes and dislikes; understand menus and public signs in cafes, restaurants; ask for directions in the city; give directions in the city.</p>	<p>Communicative approach: Work in small groups through games, role-play, and simulations of real-life events. Individual work.</p>	<p>Formative evaluation during the course. Cumulative assessment: - active participation during class activities 20 %; - midterm test – 40 % - final test – 40 %</p>

Course content: breakdown of the topics	Contact hours							Individual work: time and assignments	
	Lectures	Tutorials	Seminars	Workshops	Laboratory work	Internship/work placement	Contact hours, total	Individual work	Assignments
1. Personal identity. Personal pronouns, conjugation of present tense “A” type verbs, Nominative, Genitive, and Locative Singular of nouns, adverbs with suffix <i>-iškai</i> , cardinal numerals				10			10	9	<p>Tasks and exercises for grammar and vocabulary; listening and reading comprehension tasks; and written and oral communication tasks.</p> <p><i>Note: these types of tasks and exercises are given throughout the semester.</i></p>
2. Food and drinks. Dative of personal pronouns, present tense of verbs <i>to like (patikti)</i> , <i>want (norėti)</i> , <i>eat (valgyti)</i> , <i>drink (gerti)</i> , food-related adjectives, Genitive of Material, cases of nouns: Instrumental Singular, Nominative and Genitive Plural.				10			10	9	
3. Directions, transport. Time (days of the week, hours, adverbs <i>sometimes, often, always, never</i>). Prepositions <i>next to + Gen.</i> , <i>to</i> (about places and people) + Acc. Accusative Sg. and Instrumental Sg. of nouns, ordinal numerals.				8			8	7	
Preparation for the Midterm test				2			2	2	
Midterm test				2			2		

4. Home and buildings. Nominative Pl. and Genitive Pl. of nouns, verb <i>nėra</i> (there is no...) + Gen. Masculine and Feminine Nom. Sg. of cardinal numerals, adjectives, related to buildings, furniture, things, prepositions of place <i>next to</i> (<i>prie</i>), <i>on</i> (<i>ant</i>), <i>between</i> (<i>tarp</i>), <i>in the center</i> (<i>vidury</i>)				8			8	6	
5. Freetime, travel. Verbs <i>to like</i> (<i>patikti</i> , <i>mėgti</i>), <i>know</i> , <i>how</i> (<i>mokėti</i>) + Inf., past and future tenses of the verbs, verbs <i>to like</i> (<i>mėgti</i>), <i>watch</i> (<i>žiūrėti</i>), <i>read</i> (<i>skaityti</i>), <i>play</i> (<i>žaisti</i>), <i>write</i> (<i>rašyti</i>) + Gen.				10			10	8	
6. Studies. Work, professions. Prepositions of time: <i>before</i> (<i>prieš</i>), <i>after</i> (<i>po</i>), <i>during</i> (<i>per</i>), <i>from...until</i> (<i>nuo...iki</i>), months, Nominative, Accusative, and Locative Singular of ordinal numerals.				8			8	8	
7. Family. Cardinal plural numerals, positive and negative object, Genitive Singular of nouns, degrees of adjectives				8			8	7	
Preparation for the final test				2			2	2	
Final test				2			2		
Total				70			70	58	

Assessment strategy	Weight %	Deadline	Assessment criteria
Participation in class activities	20	During all semester	Active participation during class activities and doing homework tasks. Grades will be awarded to students: 2 points – 70–100 % tasks performed; 1 point – 50 % tasks performed; 0 point – less than 50 % tasks performed.
Midterm test (100 points): 93–100 10 84–92 9 76–83 8 68–75 7 59–67 6 50–58 5 >50 not passed	40	In the middle of the semester	4 points – test scored 10 3,6 points – test scored 9 3,2 point – test scored 8 2,8 point – test scored 7 2,4 point – test scored 5 2 points – test scored 5
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Author	Publishing year	Title	Issue of a periodical or volume of a publication; pages	Publishing house or internet site
Required reading				
Petrašiūnienė E., Valančiauskienė A., Našlėnaitė Eberhardt V., Jakaitė-Bulbukienė K., Vaškevičienė L.	2021	Langas į lietuvių kalbą		Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla
Recommended reading				
Stumbrienė V., Vaškevičienė, L., Daraškienė, I.	2022	Sėkmės!		Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla
Hilbig, I., Daraškienė, I., Žurauskaitė, E.	2021	Short online Lithuanian course “Lithuanian language and culture to taste!”		https://www.olc.flf.vu.lt
Stumbrienė V., Vilkienė L., Roebuck W.	2008	365 Lithuanian verbs		Vilnius: Tyto alba

Ramonienė M., Pribušauskaitė J.	2008	Practical Grammar of Lithuanian		Vilnius: Baltos lankos
Lithuanian-English Online Dictionary				https://ekalba.lt/lietuviu-anglu-kalbu-zodynas/

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