

ENGLISH VI SPRING SEMESTER

COURSE OUTLINE:

The aim of this course is to consolidate students' knowledge of English and give further practice in academic skills. Students work on improving their academic reading and listening skills, practice academic writing (reporting results, and synthesising source materials) and strengthen aspects of speaking ability, especially in academic contexts.

Course objectives

By the end of the course, students should be able to do the following:

- read texts, identify main ideas and details and make inferences
- explain graphs, tables and diagrams (both in speaking and in writing)
- discuss information, make suggestions and express opinions
- make notes, outlines and summaries
- write a cohesive essay / report
- demonstrate revising and editing skills

TOPICS – VOCABULARY

Topics covered over the spring semester include the following¹

Crop production systems

Conventional tillage

Irrigation systems

Sociology of Agriculture

Ornamental Horticulture

Viticulture

EU Agriculture: Situation and Prospects

¹ Depending on the level of the students and the amount of class time available the instructor reserves the right to add or delete subjects according to class needs

WRITING SKILLS

Essay writing

Reporting research findings

Describing trends – reporting results from tables/graphs

ACADEMIC SKILLS

Paraphrasing - summarising

Quotations and referencing

Compiling a bibliography list

Using direct quotations and incorporating quotations

ACTIVITIES AND MATERIALS

Reading texts & handouts

Listening & Speaking practice

Quizzes & assignments