Isped M1 Public Health UE PSP 101 – The Fundamentals of Public Health - English

Organisation

Face to face classes + online work to help you prepare for these classes, personalised work at the Espace Langues (5 activities) and tutorials to help you prepare for your oral presentation.

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Objectives

To help you become more autonomous in English for your studies and professional life by studying authentic documents on public health subjects. Work on all skills:

- strategies for reading
- strategies for listening, note-taking and comprehension of audio, video documents to enable students to follow lectures, presentations in English
- techniques for oral presentations and communicative activities to promote interaction with peers.

Marking

Continuous assessment
Oral presentation (group work) /20
2-min speaking assignment on one of the subjects studied in class /10
Validation of 5 EL activities and reflective diary /10.

A1/A2 level students are strongly advised to supplement the work done in class by following a class at the Espace Langues

Advice for the oral presentation.

In your groups of 4-5 students, you will speak for 20-25 minutes on a public health topic of your choice. Do not choose a vast subject but narrow it down to focus on a specific aspect to demonstrate why it is a public health problem. You should begin by finding documents on the subject. You then need to select the pertinent information taking into account the purpose of your presentation and showing awareness of your audience, what they know already on the subject and the message you would like to put across. You must then organise this information, make a plan for your presentation, linking the ideas into a coherent whole. The next step is to reformulate. Remember that an oral presentation does not mean reading out written information taken directly from sources. You need to adapt the written information using an oral style and words that you are familiar and at ease with. You will also need to prepare your visual aids which will help you structure your presentation and focus on the key ideas. Think about pronunciation, making sure you know the stress pattern of your key words, think about grammatical accuracy and fluency. You will be marked on the content of your presentation, the quality of the English and your communicative skills. Jury = English teacher + Isped teacher.