



Education and Culture DG

Lifelong Learning Programme

## ERASMUS INTENSIVE LANGUAGE COURSES 2009-10

- ORGANISING INSTITUTION'S INFORMATION FORM -

INSTITUTION NAME:	UNIVERSITY OF SILESIA, SCHOOL OF POLISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE	
ADDRESS:	40-032 KATOWICE, PLAC SEJMU ŚLĄSKIEGO 1, ROOM 424	
COUNTRY:	POLAND	
EILC LANGUAGE	POLISH	
LEVEL COURSES ORGANISED:	<i>LEVEL I (BEGINNER) X</i> <i>NUMBER OF COURSES: 1</i> <i>DATES: 03 - 30.09.2009</i>	<i>LEVEL II (INTERMEDIATE) X</i> <i>NUMBER OF COURSES: 1</i> <i>DATES: 03 - 30.09.2009</i>
WEB SITE	WWW.SJKP.US.EDU.PL	

**Please note that all student EILC applications for our EILC should be sent by e-mail to the following address: [eilc2009@frse.org.pl](mailto:eilc2009@frse.org.pl)**  
(Erasmus National Agency in Poland)

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## ***PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION***

### **• DESCRIPTION OF TOWN**

#### ***- SHORT HISTORY AND LOCATION***

Katowice is the main city of the Upper Silesia region. A city with an Art-Nouveau architecture quarter and the centre of an agglomeration of nearly 3 million inhabitants. Katowice is one of the biggest Polish centres of industry, economy, transportation, science, education and culture. The city has over 13 institutions of higher education, among them: the University of Silesia, University of Economics, Academy of Music, Silesian Medical University, Academy of Physical Education, Silesian Technical University, Academy of Fine Arts, Theological Seminar and others. "Silesian Library", the biggest book collection in the Upper Silesia, is also located in the city. Due to the unique combination of technology-based industrial civilization and traditional cultural values, as well as history of Poles, Germans, Jews and other nations sharing the same geographical and cultural space, Katowice has developed a special European awareness and character. Katowice, located within c.70 km distance from Cracow, Auschwitz museum, Czestochowa sanctuary, provides its guests with an easy access to important places in European and Polish history. Charming Beskidy Mountains are also within comfortable reach by coach or train. Many restaurants, pubs, discos, music clubs, cinemas, and sports facilities in the city offer recreation and entertainment.

#### ***- MAIN LOCAL/CULTURAL EVENTS***

Opera and philharmonics  
National Polish Radio Symphony Orchestra  
Theatres  
Museums and galleries of painting  
Cultural centres  
Concert halls  
Rawa Blues festival  
Ars cameralis – autumn festival of arts  
Interpretations – spring theatre festival

**- HOW TO REACH TOWN (LINKS FROM THE NEAREST AIRPORT, TRAIN OR COACH STATIONS)**

From Warsaw and Cracow - good railway connection.

Katowice international airport "Pyrzowice", 30 min. by taxi from the city centre or 50 minutes by bus

<http://www.lotnisko-chopina.pl/>

<http://www.lotnisko-balice.pl/>

<http://pyrzowice.pl/>

<http://www.pkp.pl/>

**- TRANSPORT IN TOWN (BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE MAIN MEANS OF TRANSPORT AVAILABLE)**

Lines of buses and trams

## • **SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE ORGANISING INSTITUTION**

The School of Polish Language and Culture was founded in 1991. Since then its prestige and reputation on the academic scene has been systematically growing. The School, which enjoys worldwide reputation, provides education to foreign students. It offers:

- variety of courses, classes and seminars offered throughout year
- very well qualified language teachers and lecturers with high level of seniority and experience gained at home and abroad
- the best conditions of learning and professional teaching: small groups (6-12 students), modern syllabi, video and computer learning programs.

Rich experience: the School cooperates with both foreign and Polish centres dealing with Polish language teaching. Our teachers take part in various bodies working on teaching foreigners Polish language e.g. they are members of the society of Polish and foreign teachers of Polish as a foreign language - "Bristol", and national board for certification of knowledge of Polish language as a foreign language.

## • **ACCOMMODATION**

*- SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE ACCOMMODATION OFFERED (HOTEL, APARTMENTS, STUDENT HALLS, OTHERS; IF THERE ARE COOKING FACILITIES) AND ON THE RENT TO BE PAID PER WEEK*

The accommodation provided by the School:

- dormitory on the campus in Katowice-Ligota (on the outskirts of forest, near recreational areas, for the needs of the estate residents there work internet rooms; on students' request there is a possibility of the internet connection in their rooms; on the campus there are also: canteen, students' club, grocery shops, chemist, cafe, pub, summer garden, tennis court);
- convenient access to the town centre as well as the seat of the School of Polish Language and Culture;
- number of rooms adjusted to the number of the course participants;
- double rooms in two-room segments, per four people a bathroom with a shower, lavatory and a kitchenette with a sink, electric cooker, cordless kettle (also: glasses, teaspoons); wardrobes in rooms and halls, there are bed sheets and towels;
- possibility to accommodate in single rooms at an extra charge;

Prices (in Polish ZLOTY – PLN):

Place in a double room: day about PLN 12,00; 4 weeks about PLN 350,00

Single room: day about PLN 17,00; 4 weeks about PLN 500,00

- **MEALS**

- *SHORT DESCRIPTION ON THE SERVICES OFFERED (UNIVERSITY CANTEENS, RESTAURANTS, BARS, OTHERS)*

Breakfasts and suppers in a restaurant in a dormitory or on one's own, lunches in the canteen in the building where classes are held (about 18 PLN for a two-course meal); nearby: restaurants, bars, pubs, pizzerias, pancake houses, cafes with various types of meals, the possibility to order vegetarian meals.

- **RECEPTION OF STUDENTS**

- *MEETING POINT (PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF FIRST MEETING - FOR EACH COURSE WHERE DIFFERENT)*

Arrival day: September the 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009

Official opening ceremony: September the 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009, 11 a.m.

The School of Polish Language and Culture, University of Silesia

Katowice, Plac Sejmu Slaskiego 1

Room 424

- **EXTRA MURAL ACTIVITIES**

- *SITE VISITS*

- *Site visits in town*

Wyspianski Theatre

Silesian Museum

Cultural Centre

Open Air Museum of Traditional Architecture

- *site visits out of town*

Visit in Open Air Museum in Chorzów

Excursion to Cracow

Excursion to Auschwitz Museum

*- SPORTS FACILITIES (SWIMMING, TENNIS, GYMNASIUM; OPENING DAYS AND AVAILABLE INFORMATION)*

Swimming pool

Gymnasium

*- ENTERTAINMENT (CINEMA, THEATRE, ETC.; BRIEF INFORMATION ON PLACES AND STUDENT FACILITIES)*

7 cinemas

5 theatres

philharmonics

opera performances

music clubs (about 20)

(ISIC cards might be useful)

**Note: where more than one course is organised at each level, this form should be copied and completed for each course**

## ***PART II: COURSE(S) DESCRIPTION***

**COURSE NO:**

**LEVEL:**

***I: Beginner course***

***II: Intermediate course***

	FROM...	To...
PERIOD: 4 WEEKS	3 <sup>rd</sup> of September 2009	30 <sup>th</sup> of September 2009

### **• LANGUAGE COMPONENT**

**- SHORT DESCRIPTION OF LANGUAGE COMPONENT: OBJECTIVES AND TEACHING METHODS**

#### Level I

During the course students acquire basic vocabulary within specific thematic scopes as well as simple language structures. Thanks to that they will be able to introduce themselves, establish language contact as well as communicate in Polish in typical situations entering the following (example) communication roles: student, tourist, client, patient, friend, traveler.

Students will be able to understand typical signs i.e. attention, repair works, no smoking as well as general sense of short applied texts written in simple language.

During the course all language skills will be developed with special focus on speaking and listening comprehension as well as short texts reading comprehension.

#### Level II

During language classes students with the help of various didactic aids shall be improving and supplementing their language skills in order to communicate in Polish by means of more complex structures and with the use of richer vocabulary. On this level students will be improving the skill of writing short texts (e.g. advertisements, wishes, greetings, private letters) distinguish between formal and informal registers. Also speaking skill will be trained (e.g. intentional speeches such as invitations, apologies, thanking, promising) as well as understanding of written and spoken texts (e.g. fragments of original press texts, TV and radio programmes, films).

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All students will be studying from modern books allowing for application of diversified, efficient and attractive teaching techniques. The course will be enriched with additional audiovisual aids (fragments of films, television programmes, songs, computer programmes), which significantly influences effects of studying.

Students are also offered extra classes allowing for individual selection of language exercises.

**- SUBJECT-SPECIFIC LANGUAGE ELEMENTS**

YES  NO

(e.g. special modules for students in particular disciplines)

IF YES, SPECIFY:

The students at advanced level can choose classes that meet their special needs

**- DURATION**

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSES	h. 192
HOURS IN CLASSROOM	h. 80
HOURS OF PRACTICE CONVERSATION/LANGUAGE LABORATORY	h. 32
OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY): LECTURES, SEMINARS, MEETINGS CONCERNING POLISH TRADITIONS, CULTURE, LITERATURE, HISTORY, ECONOMY, POLITICS AND EDUCATION, TRIPS, FILM SCREENINGS FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSIONS, GAMES AND CONTESTS, MEETING WITH POLISH CELEBRITIES, MEETING WITH STUDENTS	h. 80

**- ASSESSMENT (SPECIFY IF THE ASSESSMENT IS MADE BY WRITTEN/ORAL EXAMINATION, ASSIGNMENT, ETC.)**

The course ends with a language test. Students who take part in the final exam will be given certificates.

At the beginning there will be a placement test (placement in an appropriate language group), in the middle of the course students are obliged to write intra-course test, at the end of the course they will take an obligatory final test (consisting of written and oral parts). The condition to graduate from EILC and to obtain the course graduation certificate (alongside with grades and ECTS points) is obtaining positive grades in intra-course and final tests, attendance and activities during the classes, doing homework.

ECTS: 5

**• COURSE FACILITIES**

**- TEACHING AIDS**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AUDIO/VIDEO MATERIALS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPUTER/SOFTWARE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HANDOUTS/PRINTED TEXTS

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X TRANSPARENCIES
X OTHER : COURSE BOOK

- **LIBRARY** YES  NO

**IF YES, SPECIFY:**

TIMES	9.00-17.00
OPENING DAYS	MONDAY-FRIDAY
ADDRESS	SCHOOL OF POLISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE, FACULTY OF PHILOLOGY

- **LANGUAGE LABORATORY** YES  NO

**IF YES, SPECIFY:**

TIMES	15.00-15.45
OPENING DAYS	MONDAY-FRIDAY
ADDRESS	SCHOOL OF POLISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE, FACULTY OF PHILOLOGY
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• **CULTURAL COMPONENT**

- **SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE CULTURAL ELEMENTS INCLUDED IN THE COURSE: OBJECTIVES AND TEACHING METHODS**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sunday trips to Chorzów (Open Air Museum), Cracow, Beskidy Mountains and Auschwitz Museum</li> <li>- student's theatre</li> <li>- films, theatre</li> <li>- lectures on Polish traditions, literature, culture, history, economy politics and education</li> <li>- meetings with people important for the region (politics, writers)</li> <li>- visits to art galleries and museums</li> <li>- meetings with Polish celebrities etc.</li> </ul>
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- **DURATION**

TOTAL HOURS OF ACTIVITIES	h. 192
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• **TEACHERS AND SUPPORT STAFF**

	NUMBER OF...:
<input type="checkbox"/> TEACHERS	8
<input type="checkbox"/> ADMINISTRATORS	2
<input type="checkbox"/> STUDENTS	10