

MATHEMATICS (Degree Code L-35)
ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024 - Second Term

Monday 16-18 (from March 4th 2024)

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Office Hours: After class or by appointment

Lecture (Hours): 24

CFU (credits): 3

Classroom: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NjY2OTg0MTc0NjY4>

(course code: **rgouhaw**)

Course Description and Learning Outcomes

This is an intermediate level (B1) English Course for students of Mathematics degree programme. According to the Common European Frame of Reference for Languages (CEFR), the B1 Level refers to independent users of language: those who can easily communicate in familiar situations. Students need to have a previous knowledge of English grammar.

The main goal of this course is to help students access, understand and produce basic Academic and Scientific texts (cv, application forms, websites, scientific articles and handbooks, oral texts.) In addition, there will be a grammar revision, focusing on the following topics:

- Tense revision (present, simple and continuous; present/past perfect simple and continuous; past, simple and continuous; future forms);
- Zero, first, second, and third conditionals;
- Active and Passive voices;
- Relative clauses;
- Modal verbs, Verb patterns, Multi-word verbs/Phrasal Verbs;
- Comparatives and Superlatives;
- Reported Speech;
- Adverb position; Linking devices

Grammar structures and rules will be studied through grammar/vocabulary exercises, and through the reading and discussion of texts (mostly scientific), both written and oral. We will also focus on different writing texts (formal letter, application, etc.), which will be weekly assigned to students and then revised and sent back.

Attendance and Expectations

Attendance is not mandatory in order to take the exam. Students who attend course will be asked to actively participate in classroom discussions. I will ask questions to the class and we will correct and comment the exercises/reading/listening together, preferably in English.

Course Materials

Course materials will be available on [Classroom](#) platform.

In addition, students may have a reference grammar text among the following ones:

- English Grammar in Use, Raymond Murphy, Cambridge UP
- Grammar and Vocabulary for Cambridge First, Pearson
- Any practice book for the PET/FIRST exam or equivalent.

Final Exam

Final written exam will last 25 minutes and consist of 10 multiple choice questions on grammar + a short written text (no dictionary is allowed). At the end there will be a brief conversation on general topics.

Recognition of Official Certifications:

Students who have valid language certificates on the basis of "Regolamento Didattico" decision (information is available at:

<https://corsidilaurea.uniroma1.it/it/corso/2023/30050/cds>), may get course recognition.

Once are sure that your certification is accepted (certificate can be also sent to Professor by email in advance to check eligibility), just bring it with you on the exam date (*appello + verbalizzazione*) and I'll register it (no need to attend the course, nor take the exam).

Please, remember that you will in any case need to register for an exam date on Infostud platform.