

EFFECTIVE PRONUNCIATION FOR ENGLISH MEDIUM HIGHER EDUCATION (C1 LEVEL)

Introduction: Who is the course for?

This course is designed for university teachers and researchers who wish to improve their pronunciation with a view to becoming more effective communicators in their English-medium roles at the university and in further professional roles in international contexts.

Participants should have a C1 level and already have some knowledge of the basic parameters of English pronunciation.

Course Objective:

Using the context of English-medium higher education, participants will be given the chance to further improve their pronunciation by carrying out a variety of practical activities in class and reflecting on the factors that most influence the English sound system.

Learning opportunities

- learn about specific aspects of the configuration of English pronunciation.
- further improve their effectiveness as communicators in English by identifying, analysing and working on areas associated with intonation and voicing (prosodic features), sentence stress and syllable prominence/timing, linking and reduction (more on the influence of English 'weakness' and schwa) and how to avoid native-language interference when speaking in English.
- identify and use tools and technological resources to enhance phonological awareness and continue to improve pronunciation after the course.

Course assessment:

To have successfully completed the course, participants will be required to:

- attend the course for at least 80% of the 15 hours in class.
- complete the set tasks.
- participate actively in class.

Course duration:

The course consists of 6 x 2.5 hour weekly sessions on Tuesdays. (15 hours)

It will be offered online.

Dates: 14.01.2025 - 18.02.2025

Timetable: 16.30 – 19.00