# **SYLLABUS** – A COURSE DESCRIPTION

### I. General information

- 1. Course name: Introduction to medical translation
- 2. Course code:
- 3. Course type (compulsory or optional): optional
- 4. Study programme name: Language and communication in healthcare
- 5. Cycle of studies (1st or 2nd cycle of studies or full master's programme): 2nd cycle
- 6. Educational profile (general academic profile or practical profile): academic
- 7. Year of studies (if relevant): II
- 8. Type of classes and number of contact hours (e.g. lectures: 15 hours; practical classes: 30 hours): **15 hours**
- 9. Number of ECTS credits: 2
- 10. Name, surname, academic degree/title of the course lecturer/other teaching staff: dr Magdalena Perdek
- 11. Language of classes: English/Polish
- 12. Online learning yes (partly online / fully online) / no

#### II. Detailed information

1. Course aim (aims):

The aim of the course is practical preparation for translating medical texts. During the course, students will translate texts from various fields of medicine, as well as pharmacology. The specific objectives of the course are to master general knowledge related to translation of medical texts as well as translation techniques and specialized medical terminology. During the course, students will learn about various tools helpful while translating medica texts - dictionaries, databases and professional literature. They will also learn how to use parallel texts.

- 2. Pre-requisites in terms of knowledge, skills and social competences (if relevant): Polish at C1/C2 level, English at C1 level
- 3. Course learning outcomes (EU) in terms of knowledge, skills and social competences and their reference to study programme learning outcomes (EK):

| Course learning outcome symbol (EU) | On successful completion of this course, a student will be able to:   | Reference to study programme learning outcomes (EK) |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| EU_1                                | knows the types of medical texts and their structure  | K_W04-05  |
| EU_2                                | knows and uses advanced specialist medical terminology  | K_U05   |
| EU_3                                | can apply proper translation strategies in translating medical texts  | K_W04-05, K_U05                                     |
| EU_4                                | is efficient in using reference tools – dictionaries, databases and professional literature                         | K_U02   |
| EU_5                                | uses proper Polish in English to Polish translation and advanced English in Polish to English translation           | K_U07   |
| EU_6                                | can analyse source and target medical texts in terms of style, register and discourse feature typical of such texts | K_U01   |
|                                     |   |   |

4. Learning content with reference to course learning outcomes (EU)

| Course learning content:                               | Course learning outcome symbol (EU) |  |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| Introduction to advanced medical terminology and style | EU 01 – EU 06                       |  |  |
| Basics of anatomy and physiology                       | EU 01 – EU 06                       |  |  |
| Translation of academic medical texts                  | EU 01 – EU 06                       |  |  |
| Translation of case reports                            | EU 01 – EU 06                       |  |  |

1

| Translation of patient's medical documentation   | EU 01 – EU 06 |
|--|---------------|
| Translation of texts aimed at patients (information on websites, medicine leaflets etc., instructions) | EU 01 – EU 06 |
|  |               |
|  |               |

# 5. Reading list:

- Canfield Willis, M. 2006. Medical Terminology. The Language of Health Care. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
- 2. Ciecierska, J.; Jenike, B. 2007. English for medicine. Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Lekarskie PZWL.
- 3. Ciecierska, J.; Jenike, B.; Tudruj, K. 2005. *English in medicine*. Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Lekarskie PZWL.
- 4. Glendinning, E. H. Ron Howard. 2007. *Professional English in Use*. Medicine. Cambridge: Cambridge university Press.
- 5. Jóźwiak, J. 2007. *Słownik medyczny angielsko-polski i polsko-angielski*. Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Medyczne Medyk.
- 6. Kołodziej, A. 2006. Lingua latina medicinalis. Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Lekarskie PZWL.
- 7. Kuropatnicki, A. 1997. *A guide to practical medical English*. Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Lekarskie PZWL.
- 8. Montalt, V; González Davies, M. 2007. *Medical translation step by step*: Learning by drafting. Manchester: St. Jerome.
- 9. Murray, J. P. Jerzy Radomski, Włodzimierz Szyszkowski. 2003. *English in medical practice*. Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Lekarskie PZWL.
- 10. Pohl, A. 2005. Test Your Professional English. Medical. Harlow: Pearson Education
- 11. Słomski, P. 2007. Podręczny słownik medyczny angielsko-polski i polsko-angielski.

#### **III. Additional information**

 Teaching and learning methods and activities to enable students to achieve the intended course learning outcomes (please indicate the appropriate methods and activities with a tick and/or suggest different methods)

| Teaching and learning methods and activities  | х |
|---|---|
| Lecture with a multimedia presentation  |   |
| Interactive lecture   |   |
| Problem – based lecture   |   |
| Discussions   | Х |
| Text-based work   | X |
| Case study work   | Х |
| Problem-based learning  |   |
| Educational simulation/game   |   |
| Task – solving learning (eg. calculation, artistic, practical tasks)  |   |
| Experiential work   |   |
| Laboratory work   |   |
| Scientific inquiry method   |   |
| Workshop method   |   |
| Project work  |   |
| Demonstration and observation   |   |
| Sound and/or video demonstration  | Х |
| Creative methods (eg. brainstorming, SWOT analysis, decision tree method, snowball technique, concept maps) |   |
| Group work  | Х |
| Other (please specify) -  |   |
|   |   |

2. Assessment methods to test if learning outcomes have been achieved (please indicate with a tick the appropriate methods for each LO and/or suggest different methods)

|  | (        | Course learning outcome symbol |          |          |          |          |
|--|----------|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Assessment methods                       | EU_<br>1 | EU_<br>2                       | EU_<br>3 | EU_<br>4 | EU_<br>5 | EU_<br>6 |
| Written exam                             |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Oral exam                                |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Open book exam                           |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Written test                             |          | Х                              |          |          |          | Х        |
| Oral test                                |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Multiple choice test                     |          | Х                              |          |          |          |          |
| Project                                  |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Essay                                    |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Report                                   |          |                                |          | Х        |          |          |
| Individual presentation                  |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Practical exam (performance observation) |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Portfolio                                |          |                                |          |          |          |          |
| Written translation                      | X        |                                |          |          | Х        | Х        |
|  |          |                                |          |          |          |          |

## 3. Student workload and ECTS credits

| Activity types   |   | Mean number of hours spent on each activity type |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Contact hours with the teacher as specified in the study programme |   | 15h  |  |  |  |
|  | Preparation for classes   | 5h   |  |  |  |
| Independent study*   | Reading for classes   | 5h   |  |  |  |
|  | Essay / report / presentation / demonstration preparation, etc. | 5h   |  |  |  |
|  | Project preparation   |  |  |  |  |
|  | Term paper preparation  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Exam preparation  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Written translation   | 30h  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Total hours  |   | 60h  |  |  |  |
| Total ECTS credits for the course                                  |   | 2  |  |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> please indicate the appropriate activity types and/or suggest different activities

4. Assessment criteria in accordance with AMU in Poznan's grading system:

Very good (bdb; 5,0): excellent practical knowledge and translation skills; very good command of specialist terminology and use of style/register

**Good plus** (+db; 4,5):very good practical knowledge and translation skills; very good command of specialist terminology and use of style/register

**Good** (db; 4,0): good practical knowledge and translation skills; good command of specialist terminology and use of style/register

**Satisfactory plus** (+dst; 3,5): satisfactory practical knowledge and translation skills; satisfactory command of specialist terminology and use of style/register

**Satisfactory** (dst; 3,0): merely sufficient practical knowledge and translation skills; sufficient command of specialist terminology and use of style/register

**Unsatisfactory** (ndst; 2,0): insufficient practical knowledge and translation skills; insufficient command of specialist terminology and use of style/register