

Information sheet for the course Rhetoric

University: <i>Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín</i>	
Faculty: <i>Department of Political Science</i>	
Course unit code: <i>PLTVP2</i>	Course unit title: <i>Rhetoric</i>
Type of course unit: <i>compulsorily optional</i>	
Planned types, learning activities and teaching methods: <i>Seminar: 2 hours weekly/24 hours per semester; face to face</i>	
Number of credits: <i>3</i>	
Recommended semester: <i>the 1st semester in the 1st year (full-time)</i> <i>the 1st semester in the 1st year (part-time)</i>	
Degree of study: <i>I. (bachelor)</i>	
Course prerequisites: <i>none</i>	
Assessment methods: <i>Continuous assessment: individual work - 40%.</i> <i>Final assessment: test - 60 %.</i>	
Learning outcomes of the course unit: <i>This course provides students basics of rhetoric with regard to its using in political science occupation; information about the mission of rhetoric. It puts emphasis on verbal and non-verbal communication, oral presentation, rhetoric, choice of words. Analysis of famous political speech in seminars: improvement of rhetorical skills (writing of speech and its presentation).</i>	
Course contents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. Term and history of rhetoric I. Ancient Greece and Rome.</i> <i>2. Term and history of rhetoric II. Middle Ages and Renaissance.</i> <i>3. Classification of speech.</i> <i>4. Language, speech, communication (relationships among them).</i> <i>5. Verbal communication.</i> <i>6. Non-verbal communication (gestures, facial expressions).</i> <i>7. Breathing, creation of voices, pronunciation, intonation, pace)</i> <i>8. Psychotherapy of stage fright, negatives, positives, own evaluation.</i> <i>9. Personality of speaker.</i> <i>10. Ethics, culture and technique of speech.</i> <i>11. Rhetoric as a tool of political activity.</i> <i>12. Speaker and listener – their mutual relationship.</i> <i>13. Presentation, lecture, discussion.</i> 	
Recommended or required reading: <i>ARISTOTELES: Rétorika. Martin : Thetis, 2009.</i> <i>CICERO, M. T.: Rečník. Reči proti Catilinovi. Filipiky a iné. Bratislava : Tatran, 1982.</i> <i>Demosthenes: Reči na sněmu. Praha : Arista Baset, 2002.</i> <i>HOLIC, Š.: Rétorika. Nitra : Enigma, 1999.</i> <i>ŠMAJSOVÁ BUCHTOVÁ, B.: Rétorika – vážnosť mluveného slova. 2. vydání. Praha : Grada, 2009.</i> <i>URBANOVÁ, M. – VECERA, M. – HUNGR, P.: Základy rétoriky pro právníky. Brno : Masarykova univerzita, 2009.</i>	

MISTRÍK: Rétorika. Bratislava : SPN, 1980.

Language: *Slovak language*

Remarks: *The course is compulsory optional. The course is provided only in the case it is chosen by at least 16 students.*

Evaluation history:

A	B	C	D	E	FX
100	0	0	0	0	0

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