

# PWSZ in Głogów - English

Kolejna witryna sieci „PWSZ”

## Department of Foreign Languages

Nowadays to be able to improve both professionally and socially you need to speak foreign languages. The fact, that Poland has become a member of the European Union, developing cooperation with other Members States in the fields of trade, politics, culture and labour tend to favour learning of foreign languages and make the subjects integral and crucial parts of students' education.

Young graduates, managers to be as well as pedagogists face to play a special role today. Their capability of living, working and studying in the united Europe is really dependent upon speaking foreign languages. To meet the needs, the State Higher Vocational School in Glogow offers two language courses in the Institute of Economics and Institute of Science and Technology, and one foreign language course within studies in the Institute of Arts The language courses are aimed at improving the four language competencies: speaking, listening, reading and writing. Our students acquire all the language knowledge and experience to be able to continue their studies, perform their job assignments or change their professions. The courses are oriented on practical aspects of the foreign languages - ability of using the languages in real life situations.

At the moment, students can choose two or one foreign language course out of the four languages: English, German, French and Italian. The courses are conducted at all levels: from beginners up to the advanced level.

### School's other aims are as follow:

#### 1. Student's activation:

The language courses are worked out and conducted to make students believe that they can communicate freely in another language. The weaker students are expected to become more open and self-confident with the learning process of the course. Despite educating, the school is involved in supporting all students' initiatives and actions, their improvement as team workers, responsibility and criticism.

#### 2. Culture-awareness:

The language courses are also aimed at students' awareness of other cultures. Intercultural awareness underlies both general education and business language teaching. It also determines the types of topics or reading passages, which should inspire to affectionate and creative attitude to countries, the languages are taught of. Intercultural awareness ought to make students sensitive to new, strange phenomena,

to recognise stereotypes and to be able to adopt appropriate attitude to them.

### **3. Preparing students to their professional life and specialities:**

The concept of a practical language refers to communication in the field of economics, banking, finances, industrial and technical science, psychology, pedagogics, sociology, culture etc. The professional language education also involves preparing to students' placement and working in other countries.

## **Methodology of foreign language courses**

### **1. Content:**

- a. education of foreign languages includes improving four language competencies (speaking, listening, reading, writing);
- b. At the beginner level education of foreign languages focuses on improving the competencies mentioned above with a view to general language; at the end of education, professional texts and terminology are presented and practised;
- c. At the intermediate, upper-intermediate and advanced levels, education of foreign languages involves professional language, which is presented, practised and improved on the basis of real life situations and authentic sources.

### **2. Methods:**

- a. traditional methods;
- b. methodological variety
- c. multimedia

### **3. Education resources:**

- a. course book based on a level and type of a group;
- b. authentic resources (texts, broadcastings, film extracts etc.);
- c. CD, DVD, VHS, cassettes, OHP etc.
- d. newspapers and magazines;
- e. computer + internet (fully equipped and modern computer laboratory);
- f. literature

### **4. Extra forms of language education:**

- a. preparatory courses for language examinations;
- b. lectures conducted by foreign guests; revisits;
- c. courses for the school staff.

## **TELC**

The Foreign Language Department at the State Higher Vocational School has a license to offer and conduct preparatory courses and examinations TELC - the European Language Certificates. In German the courses and examinations are offered at the levels: A1, A2, B1 and B2, in English - at the levels: A1, A2 and B1. In this way, since 22nd January 2005, the State Higher Vocational School in Glogow has become a place where people have the possibility of achieving TELC certificates.

