

BCAC1001 GENERAL ENGLISH (1-1-0)

Course Objective:

1. To provide learning environment to practice listening, speaking, reading and writing skills.
2. To assist the students to carry on the tasks and activities through guided instructions and materials.
3. To effectively integrate English language learning with employability skills and training.
4. To provide hands-on experience through case-studies, mini-projects, group and individual presentations.

Course Content:

Module - I: Vocabulary and functional grammar

The concept of Word Formation, Root words from foreign languages and their use in English, Acquaintance with prefixes and suffixes from foreign languages in English to form derivatives, Synonyms, antonyms, and standard abbreviations. Subject-verb agreement, Noun-pronoun agreement, Misplaced modifiers, Articles, Prepositions, Redundancies

Module - II: Basic Writing Skills

Sentence Structures, Use of phrases and clauses in sentences, Importance of proper punctuation, creating coherence, organizing principles of paragraphs in documents, Techniques for writing precisely: describing, defining, classifying, providing examples or evidence, writing introduction and conclusion, Précis Writing, Essay Writing

Module - III: Listening and Speaking Skills (This Module involves interactive practice sessions in Language Lab)

Listening comprehension, pronunciation, intonation, stress and rhythm, common everyday situations: conversations and dialogues, one-act plays, role plays, elocution, debate etc.

Course Outcomes:

CO: The student will acquire basic proficiency in English including reading and listening comprehension, writing and speaking skills

Text/ Reference Books (Latest Editions):

1. Communication Skills in English (with Lab Manual), Anjana Tiwari, Khanna Book Publishing Co.,
2. Practical English Usage. Michael Swan. OUP.
3. Remedial English Grammar. F.T. Wood. Macmillan.
4. On Writing Well. William Zinsser. Harper Resource Book.
5. Communication Skills. Sanjay Kumar and PushpLata. Oxford University Press.
6. Exercises in Spoken English. Parts. I-III. CIEFL, Hyderabad. Oxford University Press.