



Blended Intensive Programme
Intercomprehension for Language for Specific Purposes

General presentation

General Information			
Dates for physical activity: March 27-31, 2023			
Proposed period for virtual component: February-March, 2023			
Location of physical activity: West University of Timisoara (WUT)			
Target audience / Participant profile: Bachelor and Master students of all disciplines interested in a multilingual and multicultural dimensions.			
No. of ECTS issues: 4 ECTS			
Language of instruction and requirements: Romanian and all the other Romance languages (each participant will use their own language to communicate, but the knowledge of Romance languages other than one's own is not required).			
Organizing board:			
Host university	UNITA partner 1	UNITA partner 2	UNITA partner 3
West University of Timisoara	Università di Torino	Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour	
Program			
Carried out in two stages, the Blended Intensive Program will include:			
1) - online courses (6 hours);			
2) - courses in physical format (25 hours); - cultural activities to accommodate and practice the method of intercomprehension of Romance languages in concrete conditions (March 27-31).			
Title: <i>Intercomprehension for Language for Specific Purposes</i>			
Short description: Intercomprehension means that, each speaking his own language, you have the ability to understand the other, who speaks a similar language. The development of multilingualism through the practice of intercomprehension, a method that enjoys a good university experience in several Western countries, allows to facilitate exchanges and communication between the actors of the academic network (students, teachers,			

administrative staff). Based on the idea of having partial competences that allow learning several languages thanks to their common origin (Latin, in the case of languages spoken in UNITA alliance universities), the strategies they use for intercomprehension respond to current realities, while establishing equality between languages.

The BIP program offered by WUT aims to initiate and familiarize with the intercomprehension of Romance languages by discovering and using the main strategies of this learning method. The aim is to develop intercomprehension skills, both written and oral, to stimulate metacognitive strategies and intercultural dialogue.

At the end of the course, students will learn the basic principles of intercomprehension, as well as the fundamental ones. They will also be able to apply these principles and strategies in real communication situations in their field of study.

Proposed schedule:

- 6 hours of on-line courses (3 hours on February 27-28 and 3 hours on March 13-14);
- 25 hours courses *in situ* (at the West University of Timisoara: March 27-31);
- cultural visits in Timisoara and the neighborhood in the week of *in situ* activities, for practicing the method in effective communication situations.

Invited guests/speakers/experts (if any):

Elisa Corino, Sandra Garbarino, Géraldine Lesparre, Alice Fiorentino, Sarah Mantegna, Roberto Merlo.

Application procedure

All candidates are admitted, in order of registration, until the available places are filled, provided they are fluent in a Romance language.

Requirements:

For each university in the UNITA consortium, 5-10 places are available, up to a total of 20 places for BIP. Students and masters who know at least one Romance language, which may be their mother tongue, are accepted at BIP.

How to apply:

According to the home Institution guidelines.

Certificate:

The participants will receive *Certificate of attendance* and *Digital Badges*.