# **Courses' Descriptions**

Department of Foreign Languages, Translation & Interpreting



### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

1. GENERAL			
SCHOOL	HUMANITIES		
DEPARTMENT	FOREIGN LANGUAGES, TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETING		
LEVEL	Undergraduate		
COURSE CODE	EN-3217	SEMESTER	3 <sup>rd</sup>
COURSE TITLE	Translation Greek – English III		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES		WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	ECTS
Lectures, Lab Lectures		2	3
COURSE CATEGORY	Specific Background		
COURSE TYPE	Compulsory		
PREREQUISITES	-		
LANGUAGE OF TEACHING AND EXAMINATIONS	English / Greek		
THE COURSE IS OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS			
URL	https://dflti.ionio.gr/en/undergraduate-studies/courses/en-3217/		
ECLASS			

### 2. TEACHING RESULTS

#### Teaching Results

Upon completion of the course, students are able to:

translate general and more specialised texts

• identify the various translation genres and the specificities of each one

• carry out extensive textual analysis based on the TS theory and make decisions on the translation strategy they choose

- recognise the significance of context, co-text and pragmatics in analysing and translating a source text (ST)
- be aware of the key points of the theory of translation equivalence

successfully address the translation challenges in the ST and suggest appropriate solutions

#### **General Skills**

- Seek, analyze and synthesize data
- Adaptation to new environments
- Decision making
- Work in international environment
- Gender sensitivity
- Evaluation and self-evaluation
- Freedom of thought

#### 3. CONTENT

The module seeks to further enhance the students' ability to translate from Greek into English, i.e. from their mother tongue into the foreign language, by carrying out the appropriate lexical, stylistic, semantic and cultural shifts, transpositions and modulations. It also aims at familiarising them with the fundamental differences between source language (SL) and target language (TL) and at introducing them to an array of sources and tools. In addition, the module further introduces the students to contemporary theoretical approaches to translation and helps them apply the main principles of Translation Studies (TS) to actual practice. Finally, the module seeks to help students approach translation globally and render them aware of their role as mediators.

Week 1: Introduction to the module: suggestions on how to study and translate the texts, and guidance on the use of printed and electronic dictionaries, encyclopedias and other translation tools



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Week 2: Translating into the foreign language, the challenges and the main difficulties it poses. Textual analysis. Hands-on session: analysis and translation of a journalistic text.

Week 3: Hands-on session: Translation of birth certificates.

Week 4: Hands-on session: Translation of administrative documents.

Week 5: Hands-on session: Translation of brochures, analysis of the problems that arise from the translation of this type of texts. Different types of meaning, the importance of context, co-text and pragmatics.

Week 6: Hands-on session: Translation of documents in Accounting: Challenges, problems and strategies to tackle them. Text analysis.

Week 7: Hands-on session: Translation of web pages.

Week 8: Hands-on session: Translation of a text with a breadth of cultural-specific items (history and traditions).

Week 9: Hands-on session: Translation of textbooks. Challenges, problems and strategies to deal with them.

Week 10: Presentation of the translations made by the students themselves, with emphasis on the translation difficulties and the way with which they were dealt. Discussion.

Week 11: Presentation of the translations made by the students themselves, with emphasis on the translation difficulties and the way with which they were dealt. Discussion.

Week 12: Presentation of the translations made by the students themselves, with emphasis on the translation difficulties and the way with which they were dealt. Discussion.

Week 13: Presentation of the translations made by the students themselves, with emphasis on the translation difficulties and the way with which they were dealt. Discussion.

#### 4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

TEACHING METHOD	Face to face	
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES	Use of ICT in teaching	
TEACHING STRUCTURE	ActivitySemester WorkloadLectures13Lab Lectures13Projects20Literature Study and14Analysis75Practice and Preparation15Course Total (ECTS: 3)75	
EVALUATION OF STUDENTS	The students are evaluated by a final written exam at the end of the semester. Students are asked to translate from Greek into English a 300-word text. The use of monolingual, bilingual and multilingual dictionaries, specialised and general, is allowed. The participation and the delivery of assignments are taken into consideration.	

#### 5. **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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