UNIVERSITY OF CRETE – FACULTY OF LETTERS

SYLLABUS FOR MODERN GREEK AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE LEVELS A1-A2 OF CEFR

(COMMON EUROPEAN FRAMEWORK OF REFERENCE FOR LANGUAGES)

FALL SEMESTER 2019-2020

CODE NUMBER	MGRL A
INSTRUCTORS	Maria Poulopoulou, poulopom@uoc.gr
OFFICE HOURS	After classes, by appointment
AMOUNT OF TEACHING HOURS	80
ECTS	5
COURSE DESCRIPTION	The course is intended for students with little or no previous knowledge of Modern Greek, introducing them to the language within its cultural context. The course is mainly communicative, encouraging oral interaction in everyday situations. At the same time, it highlights the fundamentals of the Modern Greek grammar (explained in English). Students are introduced to aspects of the Greek culture on several occasions. By the end of the course, students will be able to communicate successfully at a basic level.
PREREQUISITES	A strong commitment to learning the language.

TEACHING MATERIAL

- Αρβανιτάκης Κλ. & Φρ. Αρβανιτάκη
 (2011), Επικοινωνήστε Ελληνικά 1, εκδ.
 Δέλτος (student's book, exercise books, audio material)
- Poulopoulou M. (2015), Modern Greek: Grammar Notes for Absolute Beginners, ebook available at:

https://repository.kallipos.gr/handle/11419/4393

- Material handed by the teacher
- Reference books (dictionaries, grammars) are available at the Library.

REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING

- Attendance-Participation: Students are required to attend classes regularly, and to participate in class.
- Homework: Students should do their homework and hand it to their teacher on time. They should also prepare short individual or group projects to be presented in class.
- Midterm exam
- Final examination

WEIGHT OF THE REQUIREMENTS IN THE FINAL GRADE

- Attendance-Participation 20%
- Homework 25%
- Midterm exam 20%
- Final examination 35%

OBJECTIVES*

Writing: The student can write an elementary short text such as an e-mail, a note, a letter, or fill a form with personal information.

Reading: The student can read short texts provided they are based on the grammar and the vocabulary of the level.

Speaking: The student can express basic needs, give brief descriptions or hold an everyday conversation on one of the topics taught in class. Listening: The student can understand clear messages and announcements, as long as the other person is ready to repeat or rephrase something.

LEVEL A1-A2

INDICATIVE CONTENT

STRUCTURE AND GRAMMAR	 Preliminaries
	Pronunciation and writing
	Stress
	Noun Phrase
	Introducing gender and case
	Nominative and Accusative cases for major
	categories of nouns
	Adjectives: explaining agreement
	Singular and plural
	The definite and the indefinite articles – zero
	article
	Pronouns: personal, interrogative,
	possessive, demonstrative, indefinite
	The structure of the noun phrase
	Verb Phrase
	Tense: present, past simple and future
	simple tenses
	The Modern Greek "infinitive" (Subjunctive)
	Basic imperatives

^{*}see Council of Europe: Common European Framework for Languages: Learning, teaching, assessment (https://rm.coe.int/168045b15e)

Adverbials (time, place, frequency, manner, quantity)

The copular verb "to be" ($\varepsilon i\mu\alpha\iota$) The structure of the verb phrase

 Beyond the Noun and the Verb Phrases

Sentence types: affirmative, interrogative, negative

Intonation and focus

Coordination ("and", "or", "but")

Subordination (temporal, causal, conditional clauses)

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Body language - facial expressions - speaking distance

Greeting

Exchanging personal information

Introducing people

Describing ongoing activities or routines

Shopping

Evaluating, expressing likes and dislikes

Asking to get information

Inviting – Accepting or rejecting an invitation

Describing people Being formal

At the restaurant

Positing events on space and time

Talking about the past

Making plans about the future

Expressing ability, necessity, obligation,

probability

Making comparisons
Speaking on the phone
Going to the bank
Agreeing-disagreeing

VOCABULARY

Numbers

Family terms

Working and Studying

Countries, Cities

Languages

Colours

Clothing

Public places, shops, services

First contract the contract
Food, meals, cooking, recipes
Houses, rooms, furniture
Items of everyday life
Means of transport
Animals
Money

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CODE NUMBER	MGRL B
INSTRUCTORS	Maria Poulopoulou, poulopom@uoc.gr
OFFICE HOURS	After classes, by appointment
AMOUNT OF TEACHING HOURS	80
ECTS	5
COURSE DESCRIPTION	The course is intended for students with knowledge of Modern Greek at a basic level, aiming to develop further their speaking and writing skills. The course presents a wide range of cultural-communicative settings as well as a variety of text types on several topics. Students are constantly encouraged to get involved in the process of learning (writing projects, role playing based on relevant scenarios). By the end of the course students are expected to have achieved communicative adequacy.
PREREQUISITES	MGRL A, or equivalent

TEACHING MATERIAL

- Αμπάτη Α. κ.ά. (2001), Ελληνικά από κοντά, ΕΔΙΑΜΜΕ-ΟΕΔΒ.
- Αμπάτη Α. κ.ά, Ελληνικά με την παρέα μου 2 (2004), ΕΔΙΑΜΜΕ-ΟΕΔΒ.
- Κατσιμαλή Γ. κ.ά (2003), Κλειδιά της ελληνικής γραμματικής, ΕΔΙΑΜΜΕ-ΟΕΔΒ.
- Αρβανιτάκης Κλ. & Φρ. Αρβανιτάκη
 (2011), Επικοινωνήστε Ελληνικά 2, εκδ.
 Δέλτος (student's book, exercise books,
 audio material)
- Material handed by the teacher.
- Reference books (dictionaries, grammars) are available at the Library.

REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING

- Attendance-Participation: Students are required to attend classes regularly, and to participate in class.
- Homework: Students should do their homework and hand it to their teacher on time. They should also prepare individual or group projects to be presented in class.
- Mid-Term exam
- Final examination

WEIGHT OF THE REQUIREMENTS IN THE FINAL GRADE

- Attendance-Participation 20%
- Homework 25%
- Midterm exam 20%
- Final examination 35%

OBJECTIVES*

Writing: The student can write clear and detailed texts on a variety of general topics.

Reading: The student can understand a wide range of texts provided they are not too complex. Speaking: The student can speak with accuracy and fluency on a wide range of general topics, expressing clearly her/his ideas.

Listening: The student can understand standard spoken language uses.

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LEVEL B1-B2

INDICATIVE CONTENT

STRUCTURE AND GRAMMAR

Noun Phrase

Introducing genitive case: morphology, syntax, semantics

Masculine and feminine nouns with an additional syllable in the plural ($o \mu \pi \alpha \mu \pi \alpha \zeta$) Feminine nouns in $-\sigma \eta$, $-\xi \eta$, $-\psi \eta$, feminine nouns in $-o \zeta$, neuter nouns in $-o \zeta$

Adjectives in $-\dot{\upsilon}\varsigma/-\iota\dot{\alpha}/-\dot{\upsilon}$, and in $-\omega v/-o\upsilon\sigma\alpha/-$ ov

Non-periphrastic comparison

Weak and strong personal pronouns: morphology and syntax

The genitive of personal pronouns: morphology and syntax Quantifiers

• Verb Phrase

Imperative

"Passive" voice: reflexive, reciprocal, passive, deponent verbs

The past simple, future simple and subjunctive of the "passive" voice

Medium verbs

Introducing the imperfect aspect: past continuous, future continuous, subjunctive continuous (for active and "passive" voice)

The Modern Greek gerund

The Modern Greek conditional

Perfect tenses: Present, Past and Future perfect (active and "passive" voice)

Adverbials of time

 Beyond the Noun Phrase and the Verb Phrase

Subordination revisited (adversative clauses, relative clauses, counterfactual conditionals, temporal clauses etc.)

Causality and finality

Indirect speech

Verbs and phrases that allow either the perfect or the imperfect stem in their complements (subjunctive)

Giving detailed descriptions of places,

COMMUNICATION AND CULTURE

people, objects, activities Moving in the city Suggesting, proposing Recommending, advising **Apologizing** Promising, threatening Offering to help Reporting Requesting vs. asking Expressing feelings and emotions Developing and explaining a viewpoint Talking about past habits and making resolutions about the future Choosing a wish for the appropriate setting (celebrations) Going to the doctor

Going to the περίπτερο

organizations, etc.

VOCABULARY

Family terms (extended family)
Body parts, health issues, doctors
Furniture, appliances, items of everyday
use, utensils
Orientation markers
Containers
Clothing: types, size, material
Sports
Cinema
Cars
Money (borrowing and lending, owing)
Topics of general interest: education,
unemployment, media, non-profit

	Working with vocabulary: Compounding and derivation An introduction to diglossia
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FALL SEMESTER 2019-2020

CODE NUMBER	MGRL C	
INSTRUCTORS OFFICE HOURS	Maria Poulopoulou, poulopom@uoc.gr After classes, by appointment	
AMOUNT OF TEACHING HOURS	80	
ECTS	5	
COURSE DESCRIPTION	The course is intended for students who have completed the intermediate level, aiming to bring their skills to the level of proficiency. On the basis of a variety of mostly authentic texts and settings as well as a wide range of in-class activities students become aware of the differences among formal and informal style and have the opportunity to advance their vocabulary and grammar skills. By the end of the course students are expected to act as proficient users of the language and to interact accordingly in any given situation.	
PREREQUISITES	MGRL B, or equivalent	

TEACHING MATERIAL

- Αμπάτη Α. κ.ά. (2001), Ελληνικά από κοντά, ΕΔΙΑΜΜΕ-ΟΕΔΒ.
- Βασιλάκη Ευ. κ.ά. (2008), Ελληνικά: Από το κείμενο στη λέξη, ΕΔΙΑΜΜΕ.
- Κατσιμαλή Γ. κ.ά. (2003), Κλειδιά της ελληνικής γραμματικής, ΕΔΙΑΜΜΕ-ΟΕΔΒ.
- Material handed by the teacher.
- Reference books (dictionaries, grammars) are available at the Library.

REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING

- Attendance-Participation: Students are required to attend classes regularly, and to participate in class.
- Homework: Students should do their homework and hand it to their teacher on time. They should also prepare extensive individual or group projects to be presented in class.
- Midterm exam
- Final examination

WEIGHT OF THE REQUIREMENTS IN THE FINAL GRADE

- Attendance-Participation 20%
- Homework 25%
- Midterm exam 20%
- Final examination 35%

OBJECTIVES*

Writing: The student can write appropriate and effective texts with a clear logical structure.

Reading: The student can understand and assess all sorts of lengthy and demanding texts appreciating differences of style, implicit meaning and idiomatic uses.

Speaking: The student can master practically any conversation, being able to convey finer shades of meaning.

Listening: The student is able to understand any kind of spoken language in all sorts of intriguing

etc.).		 together,

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LEVEL C1-C2

INDICATIVE CONTENT

STRUCTURE AND GRAMMAR	Declination of nouns from Ancient Greek
	(το συμβάν, το προϊόν) Declination of adjectives from Ancient
	Greek ($\delta\iota\varepsilon\vartheta\nu\dot{\eta}\varsigma/-\dot{\eta}\varsigma/\dot{\varepsilon}\varsigma$)
	Conjugation of verbs from Ancient Greek
	(εξαρτώμαι, συνέβη)
	Ancient Greek prepositions (syntax and semantics)
	Passive constructions
	Reflexive and reciprocal constructions
	Revisiting the imperative: "passive"
	imperative, aspect in the imperative, negation and the imperative
	Participles
	Verbs with $ότι/πως$, $που$, $να$ complements
	Pronouns: relative (o $o\pi o i o c$), indefinite ($o c c c$)
	Verbs and phrases that allow either the perfect or the imperfect stem in their complements (subjunctive)

Subordination (clauses of result, concessive clauses)

Certainty, strong and weak probability

The particles ας, μακάρι

 $\Omega \varsigma$ vs. $\sigma \alpha v$

COMMUNICATION AND CULTURE

Being formal and informal in speaking and writing

Turn-taking strategies in conversation - debating

Applying for a job (interview, cover letter and cv) – creating an extensive profile Expressing certainty, probability and

necessity in various contexts

Elaborating a viewpoint

Giving a detailed description of a period or

an isolated event in the past

Being directive in various contexts

Prohibiting and allowing

Summarizing

VOCABULARY

Vocabulary relevant to the following topics:

Greece (geography, history, literature)

Human relations in the past and the

present

Education and Labour

Economy

Travelling and Tourism

Law, Crime

Fashion

The Culture of Food

Art

Cinema-Theatre

Press and TV

The World of the Internet

Political institutions, elections, the notion

of political culture

Modern societies

Working with vocabulary:

Prefixation and suffixation Compound verbs $(-6άλλω, -γράφω)$ Revisiting diglossia Periphrastic constructions $(6άζω τα κλάματα)$ Idioms Proverbs