



SYLLABUS

MODERN GREEK LANGUAGE – BEGINNER

Contact Hrs: 45

Language of Instruction: Greek

ATHENS, GREECE

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The beginning Greek course consists of 45 hours of instruction. It is designed to meet the needs of university students who come to Greece to study the language as well as other subjects. The textbook which is used, together with all the photocopies given throughout the whole course period, cover the most appropriate areas of communication for foreigners.

MAIN GRAMMAR AREAS

- The alphabet, pronunciation of syllables, diphthongs and words.
- Conjugation of A, B1 and B2 verb types, as well as a short introduction to the first group of passive voice verbs given only in the first two persons in singular number.
- Personal pronouns, possessive adjectives, numbers, telephone numbers, telling the time.
- Prices, addresses, dates.
- Nouns and adjectives in the three genders, in nominative, accusative and vocative cases.
- Introduction to plurals and past and future tense of some verbs.

MAIN CONVERSATION/VOCABULARY AREAS

- Introducing oneself and each other
- Talking about oneself
- Information about other people
- Dialogues in:
 - a. restaurants/tavernas
 - b. cafeterias
 - c. hotels
 - d. shops/super markets/street markets
 - e. the street
 - f. stations
 - g. airports
- Giving and requesting directions

- Working with numbers and prices
- Learning everyday vocabulary related to:
 - a. clothes
 - b. colors
 - c. food
 - d. the house
 - e. the school
 - f. things we see in the street
- Creating realistic speaking situations in class

AIMS

The aims of the course are:

- Develop a basic vocabulary of useful everyday words, so students can get around,
- Communicate simply with their Greek peers, order meals in tavernas, buy food and other necessities and generally, begin to feel comfortable in another language.
- Introduce basic grammar which can be utilized when learning new nouns and verbs.
- Develop comprehension abilities, so students can hold simple conversations in Greek.
- Introduce reading and writing, so students can review lessons and do homework.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance at all class sessions is required, except for medical reasons or other extraordinary circumstances as reported to the instructor.

GRADING

Grades are determined by the following criteria:

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| • Participation in Class | 10% |
| • Attendance | 10% |
| • Quizzes | 20% |
| • Mid-term exams | 20% |
| • Final exam | 40% |