

<b>Cambridge BEC English</b>	
Course number	8001
Lecturer	Ms Schubert
ECTS	5
Number of semester hours	4
Workload	150 h
Type	Elective
Duration	1 Term
Prerequisites	Required business English course or 4 semester hours of English at university level. Alternatively, experience in an English-speaking country or international business.
Type of exam	Written exam (90 min.)
Objectives	<p><b>Knowledge:</b></p> <p>The students possess knowledge of Business English at level C1 of the Council of Europe Common European Framework Reference for Languages (CEFR).</p> <p><b>Skills:</b></p> <p><i>Reading/Listening:</i> The students can understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts and discourse and recognize implicit meaning. They are able to differentiate and interpret a wide range of collocations, registers and degrees of formality in written and spoken language.</p> <p><i>Writing:</i> The students can effectively produce formal written correspondence for a wide range of routine and non-routine situations in which professional services are requested from colleagues or external contacts. They are able to write well-structured, detailed text, compare and contrast complex economic, social and general points of view, and can support these with arguments and suitable examples.</p> <p><i>Speaking:</i> The students can apply a wide range of linguistic devices and are able to speak with ease about a wide range of business, professional and social topics. They can express detailed complex ideas in meetings, discussions and presentations, can clearly express and justify their own position, argue effectively for a case, and react spontaneously and appropriately to complex argumentation.</p> <p><b>Professional and social competences:</b></p> <p>The students have command of written and spoken English at level C1 (Effective Operational Proficiency, CEFR) and can apply acquired language skills flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes in an international business context. They can communicate complex ideas and have acquired knowledge and</p>

	skills required for further developing social and intercultural competences in teamwork and in discussions about cross-cultural topics.
Content	<p>Consolidation and expansion of existing knowledge of business English in the four skills - reading, writing, speaking and listening within a business context. The students will read, hear, interpret, discuss and produce a wide range of business correspondence, specialist texts, presentations and telephone conversations, individually and in team-work.(in-depth development and practice)</p> <p>Preparation for the optional Cambridge BEC Higher test, which is at level C1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)</p>
Bibliography	<p>Cambridge Business Benchmark Advanced</p> <p>ISBN: 978-3-12-534322-1</p>
Forms of instruction	Lecture
Language of instruction	As far as possible, instruction in all language electives will be held in the target language including supplementing explanations in German and/or English. The only exceptions are Japanese I + II where the language of instruction is English
Availability	Every summer and winter term
Remarks	The course prepares students for the university exam, as well as for the Cambridge BEC Higher examination. Candidates will receive the Cambridge Certificate after successfully completing the external Cambridge BEC Higher exam at a Cambridge Test Centre. For further information please contact Karine Schubert M.A.