

Slovak as a Foreign Language A1 - online course 2022-2023

About the course	Slovak as a Foreign Language A1 (Basic)
Course content	This language course is intended for all students who are interested in learning basics of Slovak Language. During the semester students will acquire elementary proficiency in Slovak, and will learn basic grammar, phrases and vocabulary that will enable them to communicate in everyday situations (meeting people, dormitory, housing, shopping, restaurant, university etc.).
Learning Outcomes	Students use a basic range of vocabulary and phrases, which can cover their personal communication needs and their immediate needs. Students have elementary knowledge of the structure of Slovak grammar, they are familiar with the key phonetic and orthographic principles of the Strana: 2 Slovak language and can use elementary vocabulary with emphasis on developing communicational competence (reading comprehension, listening comprehension, speaking and writing) at the level of complete beginner A1 (A1.1).
Programme	<p>Specifics of Slovak pronunciation, presentation and practicing phonemes. Presentation and acquisition of basic vocabulary. Basic Slovak grammar (nouns, adjectives – gender, nominative, accusative), verbs, present tense, negation, modal verbs).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome to Slovakia. ▪ Contact phrases, greetings. ▪ Self-presentation and introduction, personal details, questionnaire. ▪ Family, my family, family relations. ▪ School, studies and study programs. ▪ Cities and other places, my country. ▪ Professions and activities. ▪ House, apartment, dormitory. ▪ Shopping, shops.
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Active participation in the course (20 points) with the camera turned on during online classes, participation in the completing of language (discussion) exercises and activities, ability and willingness to react, joining conversations in pair or group work, submitting completed homework and assignments during the semester, writing dictations. ▪ One mid-term test (20 points) ▪ Writing two essays on selected topics (2 x 10 points). Four aspects of the essays are assessed: linguistic accuracy, stylistics, form and content. Failure to submit an essay = 0/20 points. ▪ Final assessment: test (20 points, consists of four sections: grammar, listening, reading, writings) and a spoken exam (20 points, students pick a random question from among topics covered during the semester) ▪ Students must earn a min. of 60% of preliminary assessment points (active participation, midterm test, two essays) in order to take the final test and spoken exam. In all segments of assessment students must earn a score of at least 60%. A max. of four absences are allowed per semester. Violation of academic ethics will be punished according to a degree of their importance from lowering of the grade result up to submitting a proposal on disciplinary proceeding. Grading scale: A: 100 – 92% B: 91 – 84% C: 83 – 76% D: 75 – 68% E: 67 – 60% Fx: 59 – 0%.
Lecturers	Mgr. Peter Tollarovič, PhD., Mgr. Helena Ľos Ivoríková, PhD.

Focus area	other area
Study field	Course is general available for all non-native Slovak speakers who are interested in learning basics of Slovak Language.
Type	course
Format	virtual
Host	Comenius University
Course dates	Exact dates TBA; 90-minute seminar two-times a week during the semester (winter term: 19. 9. – 16. 12. 2022, summer term: 13. 2. – 12. 5. 2023).
Apply by	Not disclosed
ECTS	2 ECTS
Nr of places available	Not disclosed
Funding	Not disclosed
How to apply?	Send an e-mail with the name, university, study field and your motivation to the secretary of Studia Academica Slovaca Centre: zuzana.vrabcova@uniba.sk .
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