Year-in-Europe Language class

Course description for Level 5 & 6

An additional third hour of language tuition per week is intended to prepare students for study abroad. Attendance at this extra hour and completion of any preparation work allocated will be essential to achieve the proficiency required for a stay abroad beyond the scope of the general language class.

These sessions will help you to become familiar with university life and culture in the foreign country and will support your language studies through the extra face to face interaction in the foreign language they provide. You may also expect to work with scientific and technical terminology in the foreign language at a suitable level. Your teacher will introduce a variety of topics and activities to develop a whole range of skills. At the start of term you will be provided with a general introduction to the topics and areas of practice that you will find in these classes, but you may expect the focus of each level to be as follows:

**Focus:** These are the highest levels provided to students; communication and academic skills are enhanced through further work with audiovisual materials from the radio/TV, scientific and technical texts and in-class presentations.

**Assessment:** It will consist of a scientific/technical presentation and an in-class test focusing on translation into the target language. At this stage, considerations beyond terminology will be taken into account and students will be expected to demonstrate excellent awareness of register and style both in their oral and written production.

**Assessment summary:**

- A 15-minute in class presentation of a scientific subject.
- This presentation counts towards the general oral examination (5%)
- A 1-hour in-class test at the end of the Spring Term during the Year in Europe hour.
- This test counts for 25% of the written examination component of the general language class.