

ENGLISH IN ACTION

CARACTERÍSTICAS DEL CURSO-TALLER

- **Duración:** 30 horas, 1 clase de 2 horas a la semana
- **Grupos de 12 personas máximo**
- **Acceso:** Tras superación curso SCI, (mínimo B2.3), o test de colocación que demuestre un nivel mínimo de C1.2.

DESTINATARIOS

- Estudiantes USAL de grado y postgrado
- Personal de Administración y Servicios de la USAL
- Personal Docente e Investigador de la USAL
- Miembros Asociación Alumni USAL de hasta 60 años

RESUMEN DEL CURSO - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Objective

The objective of this course is to provide advanced students with the opportunity to both polish and sharpen their English language skills through the use of popular culture themes and multimedia source material. The sheer nature of popular culture allows for a diverse range of topics to be used in the course.

Solution

Candidates that wish to enroll in this course will have to accredit a minimum C1 level of English according to the European Language Framework.

The course has been devised as a 40-hour long, semester course divided into 30 hours of class sessions and 10 hours of material preparation at home. Class will meet once a week for a 2-hour session. Due to the course structure, classes will use a blended methodology and will have the suggested backbone:

- 15–20 minutes of current events discussion brought by the teacher or the students themselves
- 60–80 minutes for the main activity
- 5 minutes for class announcements, etc.

In-class work will be heavily focused in oral practice. All the listening activities, the reading of texts, etc., should be done at home in order to optimize class time.

Sources for course material

- Online magazine and newspaper articles
- Public domain short stories
- Free/public domain comics
- Video-games
- TV series/movies (Netflix — students who do not already subscribe to it can benefit from the 30-day free trial offer)
- YouTube/Vimeo videos
- iClassics apps for Android/iOS
- Estimated cost in material per student: 15–20 euros

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