

<b>Course title</b>	<b>Listening and Speaking Skills Development I</b>
<b>Course code</b>	<b>ENG_111</b>
<b>Course type</b>	Compulsory
<b>Level</b>	Foundation
<b>Year / Semester</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Year / 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester
<b>Course purpose and objectives</b>	<p><u>Course Purpose:</u></p> <p>Students will work on enhancing their listening and speaking skills through various interactive activities. They will learn how to use the language fluently, accurately and effectively on a wide range of general academic, vocational or leisure topics. They will learn how to understand spoken language on both familiar and unfamiliar topics normally encountered in personal, social, academic or vocational life. They will learn how to understand the main ideas of propositionally and linguistically simple speech on both concrete and abstract topics delivered in a standard dialect. They will listen to authentic academic lectures, debates, discussions and presentations, and practise summarizing and discussing the main points. They will learn how to identify speaker's viewpoints, attitudes, mood, tone as well as information content. They will engage in role-plays and group discussions to improve their fluency and accuracy in spoken English. Students will develop their public speaking skills through individual and group presentations. They will practise summarising and paraphrasing information and expressing their opinions and ideas clearly and convincingly. Special attention will be given to pronunciation, intonation, and appropriate use of formal and informal language.</p> <p><u>Course Objectives:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Develop students' conversational and discursive abilities;</li> <li>▪ Reinforce students' core listening skills;</li> <li>▪ Develop students' public speaking abilities;</li> <li>▪ Provide students with the necessary skills to interpret audio materials accurately.</li> </ul>