**ACADEMIC ORACY, Spring 2020**

**Location and time:** G32,Thu 0800-0940.

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**Office hours:** Tue 0830-0930, Wed 1230-1330, Thu 1030-1130.

**Assessment:** 40 pts progress tests; \*assigned presentation up to 5pts; \*\*students’ own initiative presentations up to 10pts, course administration up to 10pts; participation in the skit up to 20 pts, final test (speech?) max. 50 pts.

**Syllabus**

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| **Date** | **Organization & Theory** | **Skills & Skit** |
| Fb.20 | Introduction of subject and projects:   1. Oracy topics below 2. Skit to perform at Creativity Night 3. Election of best speakers to host on May 10   The post of course administrator.  Topics:  Academic hierarchy  Academic Slang  The discipline of Academic Debate  The art of presenting (lectures, conferences, debates)  Academic life as pictured in works of art  Academic speaking style:   * Pronunciation * Sophistication: grammar, vocab, idiom * Figures of speech (tropes) * The blend of pop culture and academia * Political correctness * Argumentative Fallacies * Crystal, D *The Stories of English* * Fox, K *Watching the English* * Brookes, I. (ed.) *TV Talk* * Orkin, M.M. *Speaking Canadian English*   ***Test 1*** *3pts* | Personal / teaching goals speaking / teaching English.  Past skits:  2010 - Oral Exam  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WwkxgBkjpYU  2011 - The ED Odyssey (in the style of Men In Black)  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q2yveXXS8Xo  2012 - Conference  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t1L\_0Fy2rEY  2013 - Zombie Studies  [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= 9YVN7HlKFlg&feature](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=%209YVN7HlKFlg&feature)=share&fb\_ref=Default  2014 - Dreamin’ America (prep for exam) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ukEtnx-zFH4  2015 - Saturday Night Dead  Here is the link: <http://uloz.to/xSaxnSzg/mvi-2799-mov> and the password is academicoracy.  2016 – Literary characters seeing a psychoanalyst  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DVNGuaXbz9g>  2017 – Academic Lecture <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=StJJZrpCvuM>  2018 – Trumperica (diplomatic job auditions)  2019 - Job Interview? Interpreting? Clash of Philosophies? Inspiration by Tracy Ullman: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nTIfU4zMQWY>  An exercise in formal expressions of Latin/Greek origin (I can talk from Charlotte’s Web). |
| Feb 27 | The course administrator: Lucie Tomaňová.    ***Test 2*** *3pts*  University hierarchy.  Reading 1: google  https://www.hierarchystructure.com/university-job-hierarchy/  Reading 2:  <http://www>.internationalstudent.com/study-abroad/guide/uk-usa-education-system/  Humanitarian education x edu in science and technology.  Reading:  <http://foreignpolicy.com/2013/07/11/theres-a-good-reason-why-so-many-terrorists-are-engineers/>  <https://www.elesapiens.com/blog/science-vs-humanities-educating-citiziens-of-the-future>  <http://www>.societies.cam.ac.uk/  [www.muni.cz/admission/student/clubs](http://www.muni.cz/admission/student/clubs)  [www.topuniversities.com/where-to-study/north-america/united-states/us-canadian-universities-fraternities-sororities](http://www.topuniversities.com/where-to-study/north-america/united-states/us-canadian-universities-fraternities-sororities) | Discussion on personal / teaching goals.  Exercise in phrasal verbs and their synonyms of Greek and Latin origin.  Brainstorming for the skit’s direction. |
| Mch 5 | Results of poll.  K.Tomková: Pitfalls in making pesentations  ***Test 3*** *3pts*  Uni life in lit & film.Video on grading trends at Harvard: <https://www.facebook.com/TheEconomist/videos/10154094995194060/?fref=nf>  Films and books set in the Academia *(Changing Places, Small World, Educating Rita, Possession, Arcadia, Social Network, Smiley, Gossip, Good Will Hunting)*.  <http://www.whatuni.com/advice/sixth-form-life/22-films-you-need-to-watch-before-going-to-uni/54483/>  http://www.whatuni.com/advice/uni-life/books-set-at-university-all-students-should-read/42846/ | Skit layout entered into a shared google document started by Lenka Žárská:  https://docs.google.com/document/d/14uMVmYm4d7OAf20rEbxuLqjx3Xsl1rITPN70rQXrHQk/edit?usp=sharing |
| Mch 12 | Presentation 1  ***Test 4*** *3pts*  Politically correct fairy tales: https://pkubbs.net/attach/boards/Futurama/M.1360682542.A/politically%20correct%20bedtime%20stories.pdf | Lines of skit discussed. |
| Mch 19 | Tabboo word competition. ***Test 5*** *3pts*  Presentation 2 |  |
| Mch 26 | Latin card game. ***Test 6*** *3pts*  Presentation 3 | Lines of skit finalized |
| Apr. 2 | Discussion on Erasmus. ***Test 7*** *3pts*  Presentation 4 | Rehearsal 1 |
| Apr. 9 | Presentation 5 ***Test 8*** *3pts*  https://www.google.cz/search?hl=cs&ei=JUm4XJHHIZOl1fAPnumtoAw&q=21+phrases+you+use+without+realizing+you%27re+quoting+shakespeare&oq=21+phrases+&gs\_l=psy-ab.1.0.0i19j0i22i30i19l4j0i22i10i30i19j0i22i30i19l4.12362.20332..23002...0.0..0.161.4421.47j7......0....1..gws-wiz.....0..0i71j0i67j0j0i131j0i22i30.\_y972J4Xz04 | Rehearsal 2 and 3 early the following week |
| Apr. 16 | NOT KEEPING THE READING WEEK. Rehearsal.  ***Test 9*** *5pts* | Rehearsal 4 and 5, 6, 7 the following week |
| Apr. 23 | ***Test 10*** *5pts* | Rehearsal 8 and 9, 10 and 11 the following week |
| April 30 | Presentation 7, 8  ***Test 11*** *3pts* | Feedback of skit (performed probably on April 29) |
| May 7 | Presentations 9, 10  ***Test 12*** *3pts* |  |
| May 14 | Discussion with visitors | Exam date set up: |