

# M1 BMC

## ENGLISH

Corinne Mitchell

# Rhythm

- Classes: 27.5 hours Exam: 2.5 hours
- Weeks 1-3: 8 hours per week, i.e. 2 hours per class from Tuesday to Friday
- Week 4: 3 hours (1:30 Tues and Wed)
- **Attendance is compulsory**

# Where?

- 43-53 1st floor
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- 54-00 1st floor
- *Espace Langues Atrilangues* (Atrium, 129)
- *Espace Langues Boîte à Sucres* (43-53, 105)

# Placement Test

- It is **compulsory** for all students, whatever their levels, including bilingual students.
- It is to be done on your own, at home or at one of the *Espace Langues*.
- All will receive an e-mail before the start of their English course / period, with the link to the test and a deadline.
- The 1st period students only must do the test before Thur. Sept. 12, midnight. For other periods: there will be an email before periods 2 and 3.
- One hour long
- Score only for placement
- Student lists posted in 43-53 or Tower 53 on Mon. Sept. 16 in the afternoon

# Objectives and Content

- B2 level (linguistic independence)
- Improving the 4 main skills: OE, WE, LC, RC
- Via the written press, TV, the Internet...
- Work on peer-reviewed articles
- Focus on your specialization (BMC), including a reflection on science and innovation, their place in society...

# What you can/must do:

DAILY, even at a very small dose:

- read in English
- listen to short reports (BBC, VOA, NPR, CBC, PBS....) or watch series/movies in English

# Evaluation

- In-class work                      40/100  
(Essays, various language tests, an oral presentation)
- Final test                              60/100  
(Listening Comprehension, Reading Comprehension, Structured essay)

# The Oral Presentation

- Counts for 20/100 of final grade =  $\frac{1}{2}$  CC
- Between 10 and 15 mns per person
- + questions / debate
- PPT or equivalent (illustrations and keywords only = no full sentence)
- No paper notes
- Based on a peer-reviewed research paper (5 pages minimum, no more than a year old, approved by teacher) bearing on your specialization



# Previous exams

- Exams posted on Biomedica Sorbonne-Universite
- Go to : Documents de cours
- Click on Master BMC, then « Langues »
- Enter the code for any document (contact Corinne Mitchell for this or your teacher)
- Eventually transferred to Moodle

# Remediation

- For beginners or any student who feels he/she needs extra support
- Evening classes on top of regular classes
- Grades are not taken into account in the M1 English course.
- Registration mid-September
- [helen.chapman@sorbonne-universite.fr](mailto:helen.chapman@sorbonne-universite.fr)

# English Mother Tongue students

- You must do the on-line placement test
- Contact with Corinne Mitchell, then referral to Directeur des Etudes
- Requirements: Final test = 100%
- Other languages: French, Spanish, German, Chinese, Russian, Arabic. A different schedule, mostly evenings.

# B2 Certification

- 1 or 2 CLES 2 sessions
- Organized by the Language Department
- One Saturday (morning and afternoon)
- Free of charge
- Target: 5 skills (Reading Comp, Listening Comp, Written Expr, Oral Expr + Oral Interaction)
- Useful for applications for jobs, internships abroad (esp. Europe)...

# Teaching Team

- Nick Growse
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- Corinne Mitchell

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