

Between the 5th and 9th of March, the Teaching Workshop “English Communication Skills in the Field of Energy” was held. The workshop was organised by prof. Michael O’Connor from the University of Angers Institute of Technology (France) with cooperation from our English tutors; Zofia Sobańska MSc and Marian Gałkowski MSc from SJO at our university.



That is prof. O’Connor. Our source of knowledge and inspiration during the workshop.

The workshop covered the use of practical English communication and negotiation skills, especially in terms of sustainable development, sources of energy, as well as environmental protection. We finished the workshop and emerged, in our humble opinions, with better communication skills, new ideas and great experiences.

On Monday, we were introduced to prof. O’Connor and the scheme of the workshop. Afterwards, we were so focused on the description of EFE courses, our soft and hard currencies and discovering the new learning platform –Moodle, that all these hours past very quickly and we were looking forward to having the next workshop activities.

On Tuesday, we were working mainly on the Moodle platform which let us learn new valuable skills and knowledge. We focused on understanding the negotiation techniques and business communication from both written material and recorded audio of conversations.



Prof. O’Connor was watching what we are doing.

On Wednesday, we role played our negotiations activity. Afterwards, we did an after-activity report which was a short test on the Moodle platform where we were supposed to answer the questions based on our knowledge but also our analyzing skills.

Thursday and Friday were strictly connected to each other. We had to discuss in groups and divide our task of obtaining broad information about making an environmentally green transportation system for Częstochowa. This was done so that each member of the groups (there were three of them) could do their job. During the whole week we were working hard and discussing various problems among the groups. This was due to the fact that on Friday, we presented all the ideas included in our group presentations and all the new skills we got from the workshop. We tried to do our best and I think we managed to do so.



It's crucially important to maintain the proper posture when sitting at a computer. So close...

With permanent smiles on our faces and working with always helpful Moodle, we would like to thank prof. O'Connor for his time and patience. We have been rewarded with a greater understanding of English communication skills and much, much more.

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