

RBSDUT01K Dutch for beginners

Course module	RBSDUT01K
Credits (ECTS)	2
Category	SG (Student-driven track)
Course type	Elective at hogeschool level
Language of instruction	English
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Aims

Studying and living in the Netherlands: you will find that you can successfully do this without speaking the Dutch language. However, there is no doubt that you will get the most out of your stay when knowing some Dutch. This course introduces you to the basics of the Dutch language: its vocabulary, its sounds, and its basic grammatical structure. By the end of this course you will have a vocabulary of about 500 words, and you will be able to express yourself in daily situations: when meeting new people, at school, while shopping, travelling, etc.

Entry requirements: This course is for international students only. There are no entry requirements.

Justification: This course helps HR's international exchange students to get the full experience of living and studying in the Netherlands, by becoming familiar with the basics of Dutch.

Goals: This course is aimed at students applying their knowledge and communication skills at a basic level in Dutch. Its focus is on oral communication with an emphasis on vocabulary: learning words and learning how to use these words.

Content: This course covers chapters 1 up to and including 12 of Delftse Methode. Nederlands voor buitenlanders. Tekstboek. (4th edition, 2009). The language learning method focuses on oral communication with an emphasis on vocabulary: learning words and learning how to use these words. Students will learn the language via texts. Each text is about a certain topic, such as introducing yourself. The text consists of words and phrases related to this topic. Students will learn about 50 new words per text. In class they will get the opportunity to use these words through conversations with the teacher and their classmates. The topics for this module include introducing yourself, time, food and drinks, getting around, living, and travelling.

Week 1: Introduction class

Week 2: Les 1 & 2

Week 3: Les 3 & 4 + TEST 1

Week 4: Les 5 & 6 + TEST 2

Week 5: Les 7 & 8 + TEST 3

Week 6: Les 9 & 10 + TEST 4

Week 7: Les 11 & 12

Week 8: GROUP PRESENTATIONS

Instructional modes: This course relies heavily on self study. Students are expected to work independently with the book and CD-rom prior to attending the classes, and actively participate in the classes. During the weekly 2 hour classes, the teacher provides students with conversation training, explanation and feedback.

Test mode: 1 Final mark (100%) based on continuous assessment: 4 tests of 10% each + 1 group presentation of 60% during the block. No exams in the exam week(s).

Literature: The book used in this course is Delftse Methode. Nederlands voor buitenlanders. Tekstboek. (Boom, 4th edition, 2009). The package includes a text book, a vocabulary list, 2 audio CD's, and 1 CD-rom with exercises. This course covers the first 12 chapters of the above mentioned book.