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**Program of the discipline**

**Робоча програма навчальної дисципліни**

**Ukrainian studies**

**Країнознавство**

**for foreign students of the preparatory department who study English**

**(для слухачів-іноземців підготовчого відділення, які вивчають  
англійську мову)**

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The working program is based on the standard program for the discipline "English as a foreign language for preparatory faculties of higher educational institutions of Ukraine"

The program of the study discipline "Ukrainian studies (for Englishspeaking students of preparatory department)" corresponds to the General Education Standard on Ukrainian as a foreign language for foreign students of the preparatory department and the program on Ukrainian as a foreign language recommended by the Ministry of Education and Culture of Ukraine.

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## INTRODUCTION

The program of the study discipline "Ukrainian studies (for Englishspeaking students of preparatory department)" corresponds to the General Educational Standard on Ukrainian as a foreign language for foreign students of the preparatory department and the program on Ukrainian as a foreign language recommended by the Ministry of Education and Culture of Ukraine.

Language, speech and communication material is presented, the mastery of which is sufficient to obtain a certificate. For teachers, foreign students of preparatory departments, masters and graduate students.

### 1. The Description of the Academic Discipline

**1.1.** The purpose of the discipline is to acquaint foreign students with the geographical position of Ukraine, its population, the political system of modern Ukraine, and the main periods of the Ukrainian history.

**1.2.** The main objectives of the discipline are to form an understanding of the main stones of Ukrainian History and Ukrainian state building; to acquaintance the students with scientific achievements, culture, customs and traditions of the Ukrainian people.

**1.3.** Intended learning outcomes: the students supposed to gain knowledge of Ukrainian history and culture as well as their rights and duties as the foreigners staying in Ukraine.

#### 1.4. Characteristics of the discipline

Specialty Preparatory department

Faculty of International

The form of education is full-time, correspondence (distance) form of education

The term of preparation is the 2023-2024 academic year

The total number of hours is 74

Lectures 6

Practical classes, seminars 42

Self-preparation including 24

Exam (semester) II

Semester II

## ANNOTATION

The accession of Ukraine to the Bologna process has made it possible to carry out structural transformations of higher education, which allowed Ukraine to become a recognized part of the European educational and scientific space. Country studies play an important role in the field of external economic and political ties, contributing to increasing their effectiveness through the formation of geographical culture. This is especially important in connection with the processes of integration of Ukraine into the international scientific-educational, cultural-information space.

Educational discipline "Country Studies" is aimed at highlighting social, economic-geographical, political, and historical aspects of the country's development. The main purpose of the educational program "Country Studies" is to familiarize students with the peculiarities of the historical, political, economic development of the country and the region. Acquisition of knowledge in the field of geography can be attributed to topical issues.

Knowledge of the history and culture of the language being studied includes not only the educational function but also informative.

Domain background knowledge, lack of influence of interference and cultural obstacles - will allow a foreign student to know the cultural component of the country.

Keywords: country studies, geographic culture, informative function, background knowledge.

## **2. PROGRAM OF EDUCATIONAL DISCIPLINE**

### **2.1. Purpose, task and subject of study of the discipline**

The purpose of the "Ukrainian studies (for Englishspeaking students of preparatory department)"course for foreign students is to provide them with knowledge about the history of the Ukrainian people, nation-building processes in Ukraine, to introduce them to outstanding figures of the state, to form concepts about the ethnic genesis of Ukrainians.

The educational and cognitive goal of the course is to acquaint foreign students with the modern independent Ukrainian state, its history, natural conditions, population and culture. The educational and cognitive goal of the course is realized only if the students achieve a certain level of language proficiency, therefore, the communicative goal of learning is also realized in parallel:

1. Accumulation and enrichment of vocabulary;
2. Formation of skills and abilities of speech activity, according to which the text is the main unit of learning;
3. Familiarization with the system of concepts and categories that prepares the student for listening and taking notes of lectures.

The course involves the acquisition of knowledge on the elements of ethnology (folk traditions, beliefs, rituals). The program includes questions from the cultural life of Ukrainians - watching theater performances, visiting museums, concert halls, cinemas, creative evenings.

The program consists of 11 topics, which reflect the listed questions and take into account the specifics of pre-university training of foreign students. The teacher can change the sequence of studying questions within the sections depending on specific conditions.

This gives the teacher the opportunity to approach the program creatively, to choose for classes for in-depth analysis the topics that most correspond to the students' future specialties. The number of hours for studying individual sections can be changed.

## **2.2. The task of studying the discipline**

The main task of studying the course is:

1. To form students a correct idea about the geopolitical system of Ukraine, its economy, natural resources;
2. to acquaint foreign students with the cultural heritage of the Ukrainian people: with music, dramatic art, art of painting

## **3. A Thematic Plan of the Academic Discipline**

### *Topic 1. Geographical position of Ukraine*

Geographical location of Ukraine. Borders and neighboring countries of Ukraine. The capital of Ukraine. Rivers, seas and mountains of Ukraine. Ukrainian climate.

### *Topic 2. Population of Ukraine*

Ukrainian people. The population, the ethnic and religious composition of Ukrainian population. The big cities of Ukraine.

### *Topic 3. Ukrainian state*

The main law of Ukraine. The branches of the state power in Ukraine: functions and bodies of the legislative, executive and judicial power in Ukraine.

### *Topic 4. The State symbols of Ukraine*

The State Emblem of Ukraine. The State Flag of Ukraine. The State Anthem of Ukraine.

### *Topic 5. Ukrainian state holidays*

General characteristic of the state holidays in Ukraine.

### *Topic 6. Living and studying in Ukraine.*

A status of foreigners in Ukraine. Foreign students. Rights and duties of foreigners in Ukraine. The Ukrainian Currency.

### *..... Topic 7. The history and culture of our region and the Ukrainian people. ....*

Excursion to the local history museum. Getting to know the nature of the Odesa region (flora, fauna). The historical past of Odesa.

*Topic 8. Significant historical and memorial places of Ukraine*

Kyiv is an ancient city. Sophia Cathedral is a treasury of ancient Slavic culture. Kyiv - Pechersk Lavra - the oldest monastery. Odesa, Lviv, the Carpathians are the most charming parts of Ukraine.

*Topic 9. Prominent figures and doctors of Ukraine*

T.G. Shevchenko - famous poet of Ukraine. G. Skovoroda is an outstanding philosopher of Ukraine. M. Hrushevskyi - the first Ukrainian president. Outstanding doctors of Ukraine.

*Topic 10. National holidays*

Important Ukrainian holidays and dates, national holidays, religious beliefs, important dates of Ukraine. Religious holidays: Christmas, Easter, Trinity. Significant dates: Victory Day, 24 August – Independence Day of Ukraine.

Kyiv is the capital of Ukraine

Historical sights of the capital. The beauty of the city.

*Topic 11. Odesa*

Odesa is a pearl by the sea. Territory and population. Prominent people of the Odesa region. Excursions around the city, in memorable historical cities.

*Topic 10. Ukrainian art*

Ukrainian art, national cultural values.

*Topic 11. Higher educational institutions of Odesa region*

Odesa National Medical University, I. I. Mechnikov Odesa National University, Odesa National Maritime University, Odesa Polytechnic National University.

For the purpose of better assimilation of lexical material, as well as for the purpose of imparting cultural knowledge to foreign students, in the 2nd semester, excursions to theaters, museums are planned.

#### 4. Educational and qualification requirements

As a result of studying the course, students should master the main provisions of the formation and development of Ukrainian statehood, issues of the development of Ukrainian culture, natural conditions and the population of Ukraine.

As a result of studying the course, students should know:

- historical past of Ukraine;
- geopolitical position of the state;
- outstanding people of Ukraine;
- folk traditions, rites of Ukrainians;
- religious beliefs;
- significant historical places of Ukraine;
- natural resources, climate of Ukraine.

#### 5. WORKING PROGRAM OF THE EDUCATIONAL DISCIPLINE

"Ukrainian studies (for Englishspeaking students of preparatory department)"

**5.1. Distribution of the amount of student academic work by types of academic work** (according to full-time study plans)

Hours in general	Semesters	Hours					Exam (semester)	Credit (2 semester)
		Including			Independent work	Including		
		classroom	practical,	Lectures		Control. worker (quantity)		
74	2	50	44	6	24	3	2	2

## 5.2. The Structure of the Academic Discipline.

Titles of chapters and topics	Number of hours		
	Lectures	Including	
		pract.	self-prep.
II semester			
1. Introduction			
Topic 1 Ukraine is an independent sovereign state. Geopolitical system of Ukraine.	2	4	4
Topic 2 Historical past of Ukraine	2	2	2
Topic 3 Natural resources, climate of Ukraine	2	2	2
2. History and culture of our region and the Ukrainian people			
Topic 4. Excursion to the local history museum	-	2	2
Topic 5. Significant historical and memorable places of Ukraine		4	2
Topic 6. Prominent figures and doctors of Ukraine		4	4
Topic 7. National holidays, religious beliefs, important dates of Ukraine		4	4
Topic 8. Kyiv is the capital of Ukraine		4	4
Topic 9. Odesa - a pearl by the sea. Territory and population. Prominent people of the Odesa region.		4	4
Topic 10. Excursion around the city, to memorable historical places		6	4
Topic 11. Ukrainian art, national cultural values.		4	4
Control work No. 1		2	2
Control work No. 2		2	2
Topic 12. Cult trip to the theater and museums		2	4
Topic 13. The historical past of the Odesa region		8	8
Topic 14. Higher educational institutions of the Odesa region		2	3
Control work No. 3		2	2
Total hours:	6	50	44

### 5.3. Tasks for individual work

№	Types, content of individual work	Amount of hours
1	Work with a dictionary and translation of new words and phrases.	6
2	Independent reading of educational texts.	6
3	Independent search for the answers to the test questions.	4
4	Self-control and execution of tests.	4
5	Independent work with geographical and historical maps.	4
	Total	24

The form of control is the submission of self-mastered material for tests and the final semester control

### 5.4. Independent educational work of the student

The purpose of independent work is to study theoretical and practical material according to the outline, to complete homework.

Their personal task is to expand the deepening of knowledge, inculcate the skills of independent initial activity (working with directories or online resources, listening to the radio, watching TV programs or videos in order to find and learn local history material).

### 5.5. Teaching methods

Classes in the "Ukrainian studies (for English-speaking students of preparatory department)" course are conducted both using traditional methods and involving methods of active learning: conversations, excursions, thematic testing, as well as the introduction of contact interaction methods. During practical classes, technical teaching aids are used to reproduce speech techniques.

### 5.6. Individual tasks.

Do not provided by the curriculum.

### 5.7. Control methods.

Control is carried out in practical classes, in distance courses (tests, tasks), control work; final control (tests) is carried out in a combined form and provides a written final test and an oral answer to the question.

#### 1. Current control

It is held at every lesson. The student's level of understanding of the theoretical material, the ability to formulate questions on the topic and give an answer to them, and the quality of homework preparation are evaluated.

#### 2. Phased control

It is carried out after the study of the topic is over. It takes place in the form of a colloquium or test. Each student receives an individual task, which includes a theoretical question and a practical task.

#### 3. Final control

The credit for country studies is given at the end of the study period.

The student's answer to credit questions is evaluated. Complete mastery of the studied material by the student is carried out with the help of additional questions.

### 5.8. Knowledge assessment criteria

The student's knowledge is assessed on a five-point national scale.

"Excellent" is given when the student gives an absolutely correct answer, without errors of information and communication nature.

"Good" is given when the student gives the correct answer, but there are linguistic errors, the topic is not fully or clearly explained.

"Satisfactory" is given when the topic is incompletely disclosed, the communication link is broken, the logic of the presentation is broken.

"Unsatisfactory" is given when the topic is not disclosed.

The student did not complete the task completely or cannot answer the question.

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