

**DESCRIPTION OF STUDY COURSE**

<b>Course unit title</b>	<b>Latvian Language</b>	
<b>Programme</b>	Bachelor International Finance	
<b>Year of study</b>	1st year	
<b>Level of course unit (e.g. first, second or third cycle)</b>	First, Bachelor's study	
<b>Course unit code</b>	<b>BFa042</b>	
<b>Name of lecturer(s)</b>	Astrīda Ģēgere-Zetterstroma	
<b>Credit points</b>	3 ECTS	
<b>Language of instruction</b>	Latvian, English	
<b>Type of course unit (compulsory, optional)</b>	Optional	
<b>Semester when the course unit is delivered</b>	1	
<b>Mode of delivery</b>	face-to-face	
<b>Aim of Course</b>	To develop students' ability to communicate in a grammatically correct language and to use Latvian language in everyday situations, to use vocabulary in a daily life, to write in accordance with the elementary level (A1).	
<b>Preliminary knowledge (prerequisites and co-requisites)</b>	No preliminary knowledge required	
<b>Course contents</b>	Provision of information, request for information, family issues, numbers, date and time, schedules, expression of satisfaction and dissatisfaction, shopping, place of living, daily routine, functional grammar.	
<b>Planned learning activities and teaching methods</b>	Participation in classes, successful acquisition of the main topics, 3 class tests, home assignment, oral examination. Assessment is based on: 1. Class tests and active participation during classes 50% 2. Assessment of the oral examination 50%	
	Teaching methods	Student work load (1 CP = 40 hours of student work)
	Practical lessons	50%
	Work in library, independent study	50%
		Total 80 hours
<b>Learning outcomes of the course unit</b>	<b>Speaking skills</b> On completing this course successfully students will be able to: 1. obtain and exchange information, 2. to discuss and express one's opinion about the topics of the study course;	

	<p>3. To use correct grammatical structures.</p> <p><b>Listening skills</b> On completing this course successfully students will be able to;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. understand authentic speech in Latvian language ( level A1);</li> <li>2. comprehend and summarize key information according to the contents and the level of difficulty;</li> </ol> <p><b>Reading skills</b> On completing this course successfully students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. to find requested information in the given text</li> <li>2. to assess facts mentioned in the given text</li> </ol> <p><b>Writing skills</b> On completing this course successfully students will be able:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. to write questions and answers on the given topics</li> <li>2. to fill in application forms</li> <li>3. to use correct grammatical structures</li> </ol>				
<p><b>Assessment methods and criteria</b></p>	Learning outcomes	Speaking skills	Reading skills	Writing skills	Listening skills
	The form of assessment				
	1.test	.		●	
	2.test		●	●	
	3. test		●	●	●
Oral Exam	●	●		●	
<p><b>Recommended or required reading</b></p>	<p>Compulsory literature: Materials prepared by Assist.Prof.A.Gegere-Zetterstroma</p> <p>Recommended Literature:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dace Dumpe ‘‘Latvian in Three Months’’,Zvaigzne ABC, Riga 2013</li> <li>2. Asja Svarinska ‘‘Latviešu valoda. Mācību kurss 25 nodarbībām. Latvian in 25 lessons’’, Zvaigzne ABC, 2012</li> <li>3. Ilze Auziņa ‘‘Laipa. Latviešu valoda A1’’, Latviešu valodas aģentūra, 2014</li> </ol>				
<p><b>Recommended optional programme components</b></p>	<p>To be agreed at the start of the course.</p>				