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**COMPARING APPROACHES REGARDING THE  
TEACHING OF SPECIFIC MICROLANGUAGES**



# Aims

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The aim of the use of English as a Microlanguage in sectorial context in Undergraduate Programs is to train students to become well-equipped and competent translators since there is an increasing network of relations between countries and societies where different languages are spoken and most of the university courses are run in English. By using it properly students will develop their theoretical and practical knowledge in the field; they will be provided with proficiency in technology and communication and will improve their intercultural research skills to ensure their professional qualifications and competence.



# Study in Turkey

A study unearthed the challenges that the students experienced in language learning process which were insufficient English background of students, their lack of motivation to general education, disregard to English education, and feeling of inferiority accompanied with low self-esteem.

Furthermore, physical problems (students who are full or part-time workers), discontinuity in curriculum and limited lesson hours were also among the issues. The study implicated that information transmission which is still prevalent in lessons should be supported with other methods of teaching, the students need consciousness raising in terms of the place of English in their work life and some improvements are needed in the English curriculum.

<https://dergipark.org.tr/en/download/article-file/2782008>



# Notes from the Jobshadower

I interviewed Mr Haluk who teaches in the Professional school of Bursa and actually I found students who were very well prepared and ready for their successive professional studies. Mr Haluk complained that only four classes a week at 9th grade and 2 classes a week from 10th to 12th are dedicated to English and that the classes are overcrowded. The Administration divides the classes into 2 or 3 groups and assigns each group to a teacher.

Personally I don't agree with official sources and articles as I found really motivated students!



# Conclusions

The aim of teaching microlanguage is to provide students with in-depth knowledge in the field of specialized uses of the language. The specific programs are realized through a series of exercises aimed at an in-depth study of the different sectorial languages.

In order to help the student become familiar with aspects and problems of ESP (English for specific purposes) which will, however, be treated in depth by the teacher of the professionalizing subject, in Italy in Secondary High Schools, the last three years foresee the teaching of Micro-languages. Yet, they are often not enough, also considering that, nowadays, most of the subjects at universities are taught in English.

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