

## EQF/MQF LEVEL 1

# Award in Maltese as a Foreign Language and Cultural Orientation

LW/L/002

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Through this course, the student will understand the very basics of the Maltese grammar and basic Maltese expressions. It will help in building one's vocabulary of simple Maltese words and manage the correct use of simple Maltese phrases which frequently appear in everyday social conversation both at the workplace as well as outside.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of the course programme, students will be able to:

- Understand the very basics of the Maltese grammar and basic Maltese expressions.
- Develop insights in the Maltese culture and customs.
- Build one's vocabulary of simple Maltese words and manage the correct use of simple Maltese phrases that frequently appear in everyday social conversation.
- Use very basic vocabulary and phrases in Maltese related to everyday life and representative of the home, work, social and public settings.
- Use appropriately the frequently used phrases used to communicate in Maltese.
- Speak with a basic level fluency within specific situations.
- Learn the sentence structure and the gist of elementary written texts.

- Use basic knowledge of the language to carry out simple exchanges of information.

### TARGET CANDIDATES

This course is targeted towards individuals, over the age of 16, who would like to learn basic communication in Maltese for work, personal development and academic purposes. This course is also for those who would like to learn basic skills in the Maltese Language and is in part fulfilment of the Stage 1 Pre-Integration Certificate for the Specific Residence Authorisation in Malta.

**DURATION** 2 months

**CREDIT VALUE** 5 ECTS/ECVET

**MODE OF TRAINING** This Award is delivered through lectures.

**ASSESSMENT** Face-to-face assessment is carried out to assess the performance of the student.

**AWARDING BODY** Learning Works

### LECTURERS

Ms Sandra Bajada  
Ms Francesca Zammit  
Ms Francesca Zarb  
Ms Louise Grech Abela  
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**Contact Hours:** 30

**Placement Hours:** 0

**Self Study Hours:** 90

**Assessment Hours:** 5

**Total Learning Hours:** 125

## **COURSE STRUCTURE:**

### **MODULE 1: GREETINGS AND YOUR WORLD (1 ECTS)**

This module aims to let the students get to know each other. The context of greetings and introductions in different settings allows students to do this in Maltese in a meaningful way even with quite basic language.

### **MODULE 2: MY LIFE, FAMILY AND FRIENDS (1 ECTS)**

This module, aims to extend the range of personal information that students can give. The unit introduces expressing the possessive with family vocabulary. Students practise while talking about the present within the context of hobbies, likes and dislikes. Food and drink are also introduced to serve as a context for further insights in the construction of the plural forms.

### **MODULE 3: OUT AND ABOUT (1 ECTS)**

This module aims at introducing and providing practice in describing places within the context of being out and about during one's free time. This unit extends question formation and the demonstratives. It introduces vocabulary related to directions and distance. Useful adjectives and their opposites are also introduced.

### **MODULE 4: AT WORK AND AT HOME (1 ECTS)**

The theme of this unit takes a look at life at work and at home. The differences between formal and informal language practices in Maltese are presented within the contexts of work and at home with family and friends. Students will reflect on the differences and compare their own cultures back home allowing a focus on comparatives.

### **MODULE 5: MALTA (1 ECTS)**

This module serves as an overview of the previous four units focussing mainly on recycling and recalling the language presented and practised throughout the course. The content presented is intended to facilitate basic communication and interaction within a local context to further increase confidence in the basic use of the language once the learner leaves the classroom. Reflection will be carried out with focus being placed on the way forward in order to further their learning after the course.

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- This course is aimed at students who have never studied Maltese before or have limited knowledge in the language.
- There are no entry requirements for this course.

