

## On the Road to Academia

## **Course Topics and objectives:**

• The main objectives of the English course of On the Road to Academia is to develop skills and strategies necessary to successfully cope with authentic academic texts in English and communicate in English.

## Primary objectives:

- Becoming familiar with informative text types.
- Learning how to use background knowledge on a given topic and utilizing strategies for building vocabulary before, during and after reading.
- Building a repertoire of reading strategies such as: listing, sequencing, comparing – contrasting, cause & effect etc...
- Developing the ability to access informative texts (topic, purpose, main idea, supporting details, examples, text structure and organization).
- Improving the ability in recognizing the writer's purpose, making connections between text and body and extra-textual information.
- Strengthening approaches for answering questions.
- Practicing the various skills of speaking, listening and writing for communicative purposes.

## Course bibliography:

- Course materials to be downloaded from Moodle and the programme Burlington (a site and phone app).
- Dictionaries (paper or electronic)