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NEW STUDY PROGRAMME

in English

Language and Communication in Healthcare

INTERDISCIPLINARY MA STUDIES IN MEDICAL HUMANITIES

at the Faculty of English, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań





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Language and Communication In Healthcare

- interdisciplinary two-year English-language MA programme
- effective and empathetic communication for health and quality of life
- co-taught by healthcare experts (academics and practitioners) from Poland and abroad
- suited to BA/BSc and MA/MSc graduates with a good command of English





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WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- why language-based communication is important in medical and non-medical care provision
- how to effectively communicate in healthcare – how to talk and how to listen
- how to talk with a distressed patient
- how to make specialist language accessible to non-experts
- how to make communication easier where it is usually difficult
- how a psychotherapist may heal by means of language
- how the theatre can heal





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WHAT ELSE WILL YOU LEARN?

- how to talk about illness
- how to promote good health practices
- how to help and communicate during a health crisis
- how to effectively and amicably communicate with a person in need of care
- how to support communication with vulnerable adults

GRADUATES WILL OBTAIN
STATE-OF-THE-ART KNOWLEDGE
AND COMPETENCES
APPLICABLE TO
HEALTH AND QUALITY OF LIFE





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WHAT PRACTICAL SKILLS WILL YOU GET?

- **excellent command of English** (speaking and writing in specialist and everyday language)
- ability to communicate **empathetically and effectively**

The programme includes

- **workshops** in designing voice interfaces for patients, coaching, audiodescription and drama techniques for standardised/simulated-patient medical training
- **internships** at an outpatient clinic and the Medical Simulation Center of the Poznań University of Medical Sciences





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CAREER AND EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS

- The soft skills learnt on the course are in high demand in the helping professions, both in Poland and abroad:
 - efficient and empathetic communication
 - creative and critical thinking for problem solution
 - presenting your work results (in English)
 - a sensitive and open attitude to vulnerable individuals.
- These skills are also transferable to other employment opportunities.





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POTENTIAL CAREER PATHS

The study programme will give you an **advantage in seeking jobs and careers** in healthcare institutions and organisations supporting communication for quality of life, both in Poland and abroad.

Graduates will be qualified to fulfil **expert roles** in diverse care contexts and eligible for employment in both **well-established professions** and **new ones**, including:

- medical social work
- home health assistance
- patient assistance
- patient advocacy
- art therapy
- health promotion and health education
- audio description
- UX design (user experience in the healthcare context)
- accompanying interpretation
- language consultation for healthcare-related texts





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CONTINUING EDUCATION

MA in Language and Communication in Healthcare is a possible first step towards:

- specialised translation studies
- MA studies (*Biologia i zdrowie człowieka*) at AMU's Faculty of Biology
- postgraduate studies at AMU or PUMS
- doctoral studies at AMU or other universities in Poland and abroad



