REVIEW

of the educational program "English language and literature and second foreign language" of the second (master's) level of higher education in specialty 035 Philology, field of knowledge 03 Humanities Yuriy Fedkovych Chernivtsi National University, 2024

The educational program "English Language and Literature and Second Foreign Language" is a well-organized and balanced study program, the main focus of which is the preparation of a future linguist specializing in English as a first foreign language and German / French as a second foreign language. The programme provides students with a high level of knowledge and skills in the field of language and literature.

The program involves a diverse study of the subjects of compulsory and optional blocks, which gives students the opportunity to develop their linguistic, communicative and cultural competences. The program has clearly defined goals and objectives, which allows students to focus on achieving specific results. In addition, the program meets modern requirements for graduates in the field of language and literature and prepares them for work in various fields of activity both on the domestic and global labor markets.

The program is designed in such a way that the professors use modern approaches to teaching languages and literature; it includes elements of intercultural education and the development of critical thinking, which is necessary for successful functioning in a global society.

The greatest advantage of the programme is the possibility for MA students who are enrolled in it to participate in the international double diploma programme which has been successfully functioning since 2017. The double diploma programme was the initiative of the Department of English, Chernivtsi National University and the Department of British and American Studies, Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice. Ukrainian students majoring in 035 Philology (Germanic languages and literatures) and Slovak students majoring in 2.1.29 Non-Slavic Languages and Literatures obligatory study not less than one semester in the receiving university, work on the agreed MA thesis topic with the scientific supervisors from both sides. The programme provides a highly-effective training in the sphere of linguistics, prepares the students for the scientific research work enabling the graduates to continue their post-graduate education in foreign universities, particularly in Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice. In 2024-2025 academic year, Mgr. Viktoria Linnikova, a graduate of this educational programme and a current teacher at the Department of English, Chernivtsi National University, will start her PhD programme at Pavol Jozef Šafárik University.

Taking into account the above mentioned facts, I consider the educational programme "English language and literature and second foreign language" of the second (master's) level of higher education to be relevant, valuable and necessary for the training of highly professional, competitive specialists in foreign languages and literatures.

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