BEC (Business English Certificate)

It's an English Language certificate focused on Business English and topics linked to the world of work and it is addressed to all SAA students who wish to obtain a qualification which certifies their final English Language level.

The main levels which the students prepare for are: BEC Vantage (B2) and BEC Higher (C1).

BEC Vantage (B2)

It's an upper-intermediate qualification which proves the ability to use the English language efficiently in a working environment.

Preparing for BEC 2 and obtaining the certification means:

- understanding the main ideas in a semi-complex text of economic subjects;
- being able to interact rather fluently and spontaneously on a variety of business topics and prepare a brief presentation;
- being able to produce business correspondences, reports and proposals.

BEC Higher (C1)

It's an advanced level qualification suitable for students who want to prove their high knowledge of the English language in a working environment.

Preparing for BEC 3 and obtaining the certification means:

- understanding a wide range of complex and long business texts and perceive the implied meaning;
- being able to speak fluently and spontaneously about work-related topics, without having difficulties finding the right words needed to discuss that specific topic;
- using a wide range of structures and vocabulary to describe work-related situations;
- being able to produce business correspondence, reports and proposals concerning business economic and describing graphs using a well-structured and well-articulated style.

HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE BEC:

Students prepare for the sections concerning Reading, Writing and Listening independently, using the BEC preparation materials (which can be bought on Amazon) and any materials made available on the SAC Moodle page. However, students can also be assisted by the professors at SAC, who they can consult for any explanations or clarifications of doubts. There will also be an introductory meeting where a teacher will explain and outline the exam and provide tips. As far as the the speaking part is concerned, students can attend lessons held by teachers who are Cambridge examiners, where they can practice the various parts of the exam and have real simulations. Teachers remain available for correction of written exercises.

EXAM SESSIONS:

- BEC Vantage: June 6, 2024

- BEC Higher: June 15, 2024

PRICES:

In collaboration with the Cambridge English Language Assessment Center in Turin, the SAA students will be able to enroll for the exam at a lower price compared to others schools/Universities or privates:

BEC Vantage: 204,00 €

BEC Higher: 231,00 €

Payment by bank transfer (payment instructions will be emailed after pre-registration closes).