



Module 1: Soft-skills

Topic 1.1: Introduction to the course

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This course was developed within an Erasmus+ KA2 project with the title **The system of support for academic teachers in the process of shaping the soft skills of their students.**

The aim of the project is to develop 4 courses **targeting higher education teachers** as guidance for **embedding soft-skills teaching into regular courses** and curriculum of higher education institutions.

This course is focused on the skills of **creativity, innovation, critical thinking, and teamwork**. It is organized into 5 modules together bringing 75 hours of learning workload. The methods of learning are based on a mix of **self-study, discussions in forums, face-to-face lectures, workshops, and online learning**.

Video: <https://youtu.be/Xs-vnxEfXV0>

Module objectives

- To present definitions of soft-skills as well as their importance for today’s labour market and education.
- To present research results about soft-skills teaching in project countries.
- To show several practical examples of soft-skills teaching.

About the module

In the module about soft skills, we present and discuss the idea of soft skills and the ways which may enhance such skills in students. Several approaches are described and some interesting practical examples are shown either as videos or readings.

In the second part of the module, entrepreneurial learning is exemplified as a way of enhancing students’ entrepreneurial skills, more or less related to innovation, initiative, teamwork, critical thinking, and similar.

Topic	Methods/materials	Student activity	Contact hours	Mode
MODULE 1 - SOFT-SKILLS				
Introduction to the course	Online meeting - webinar	Quiz & Forum	1	Online
Soft skills for 21st century	Self-study, video, readings	Quiz & Forum	3	Online
Approaches to teaching soft skills	Self-study, video, readings	Quiz & Forum	3	Online



Topic 1.1 Directions for studying

1. Attend the introductory session.
2. Check the introductory video and text.
3. Check the reading material with the video lesson and readings.
4. Try to answer the discussion question and join the forum.

Topic 1.1 Discussion questions

Please, after watching and reading the above video and reading materials try to answer the below question. You will be able to discuss this issue with your colleagues enrolled in this course by joining the appropriate forum.

- **Please, what is your opinion about the importance of soft-skills for future graduates? What changes do you expect in this area due to Covid-19?**