## ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY TEST FOR MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

The goal of the English language proficiency test at Medical University - Varna is to identify the level of language proficiency of the applicants and to make sure that they will be able to cope with studying Medicine, Dental medicine and Pharmacy in English.

Candidates are expected to sit for an online exam that lasts 90 minutes and has the following components:

- 1. **Listening comprehension** this task involves listening to an authentic text of about 600 words on a current topic of interest from the general medical field and related sciences. Topics may cover information about the common cold, flu, dehydration, genetically modified organisms, etc. Applicants are to respond appropriately in a few words, based on the information in the text. The total number of questions is 10.
- 2. **Reading comprehension** this task aims at testing the candidate's ability to understand and interpret an authentic text of about 600 words concerning general health issues. Applicants respond appropriately, based on the information in the text. The total number of questions is 10.
- 3. **The use of English** component is a gap filling task. It focuses on a text related to common health issues of about 300 words with 15 gaps. Applicants have to provide only one suitable word that renders meaning to the whole text. The missing words may also be inferred from context. This task aims at checking prospective students' prediction skills, knowledge of grammar, vocabulary and collocations.
- 4. **The writing task** offers a choice of two topics related to general health issues. Candidates choose one and discuss it in about 200 words sharing their life experience and personal views on the subject.

There are four sample tests in English language proficiency for your reference. The tests are available in Moodle (moodle.mu-varna.bg). To start working with the tests you need to complete information required new account (create new account the for а at https://moodle.mu-varna.bg/login/index.php). You will receive a welcoming message with easy instructions to complete your registration. After you confirm your new account by clicking at the blue link (moodle.mu-varna.bg) you may start working with the tests.

If you need help, please contact the site administrator at elearn.mu.varna@gmail.com.