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This critical review evaluates the appropriateness of the *Oxford English for Careers: Touris...* undergraduate Tourism Management program. The evaluation is based upon the observe... during a first-year English lecture within the Tourism, Sport and Event Management progr... Management at the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano (FUB). The FUB is a trilingual unive...

taught in Italian, German and English. All students must document at least a B2 proficienc
Framework in two of the three official languages of instruction prior to admission into an u
first year of study, students in the School of Economics and Management must demonstra
official language, and before graduating they must demonstrate at least C1 in one languag
certified by the University Language Center, which also organizes courses and autonomo
language requirements. Students enrolled in the TSE program must, in addition, complete
level. Native speakers of German must attend English and Italian, while native speakers o
lectures are not intended to satisfy language requirements, but are conceptualized as "spe
Academic Purposes) that prepare students for the linguistic demands of the degree progra
Student's Book was used as a course book for the TSE English lecture.

Tourism 3 was selected due to the absence of EFL texts for Sport or Event Management, a
tourism industry are designed for working professionals, rather than first-year, multilingu
is likewise intended for professional purposes, but the third book turns from interactions
management. Furthermore, it covers specialized language at a B2 to early C1 level, which
strength of the book is that each chapter contextualizes a series of communicative tasks to
many of which can be expanded to the sport and event markets. The most pertinent them
the role of national tourism organizations, the impact of information and communication
externalities, sustainability, and social tourism. Each unit builds upon native-like texts and
educators in the field. The reading and listening activities proceed from comprehension ch
interspersed with contextualized information gaps, vocabulary building, inductive reviewa
speaking tasks and writing assignments that can be completed in class or as homework. T
that offers additional practice with vocabulary, grammar and listening, and the *Teacher's l*
on key concepts and follow-up activities.

Tourism 3 is ideal for current managers who are upper intermediate learners of English or
graduates who are about to enter the job market. The thematic content is practical, releva
book has three major limitations in a European academic setting. First, its communicative
systematically review the key grammar of the B2 level. The two *Language Spots* in each un
useful formulaic phrases, but do not systematically review the linguistic features on which
example, all tenses, mixed conditionals, the passive voice, etc. Second, some of the readin
speaking and writing tasks are too practical in nature for the university. As higher educatio
training, this might seem appropriate. In reality, however, skills for writing a cover letter a
to complaints, giving a professional presentation, and negotiating, etc., are not urgent ma
passing Economics and Management courses conducted in English. It might be helpful for
skills, but it is unfair to spend valuable class time on skills they will not be tested on. Finall
of both Tourism Studies and Language Studies: the challenges and benefits of being/beco
communication. This is especially important for a multilingual and multicultural group of
employment in a field founded upon intercultural encounters. *Tourism 3* surveys internat

world, and discusses the need to respect host communities. It confronts students with the

responsible. Yet it never asks students to reflect upon the barriers to communicating and

how different cultures produce different solutions to problems like the sustainable develo

inaccessibility of sites and services to various segments of society. In the book's defense,

tourism studies programs around the world lag behind in this regard as well.

As one of the most suitable books on the market, *Oxford English for Careers: Tourism 3* ex

simply few options available to instructors of English for the specific academic purpose of

textbooks must be used with caution and must be complimented and supplemented with

other sources to meet the demands of a specific course. If one is willing to apply *Tourism*

followed from cover to cover, then it provides numerous reading and listening compreher

prompts that are appropriate and effective in even the most academically demanding EFL

Note

[1]I considered 12 recent ESP series that are intended for the field of tourism. Only two had

purposes: *OEC: Tourism 3* and *English for Tourism and Hospitality in Higher Education St*

covered similar content, and while the latter is perhaps more appropriate for academic pu

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