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**THE IMPORTANCE OF ENGLISH IN CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND
INTERNATIONAL INTERACTION****Matiushenko A.G.***National Aviation University, Kyiv**Scientific supervisor – Oksana Vasiukovych, phd, associate professor***Key words:** English language, requirements, communication

Introduction. Today, English is one of the most widely spoken languages. According to unofficial statistics for 2022 alone, more than 1.5 billion people around the world speak English as a native or second language. Of course, in the aviation industry, English is also the leading language. Therefore, this article will provide information on how to use English as a tool for career development or employment in international companies. As of March 2023, only one vacancy for a Flight Planning Manager was found among online job offers in the aviation sector in Ukraine. And even from an employer from a Ukrainian company, the requirements for candidates include knowledge of English at the IELTS 6.0 level (including Pre-Intermediate and Intermediate).

Materials and methods. We used an empirical method of research. A comparative study of various airlines, companies, multinational corporations and their offers took place. We analyzed and compared the reaction of various employers offers in the aviation sector. We used statistical method and systematized the results of analyses as well as substantiated the results of our research.

Results. The International Civil Aviation Organization has developed its own English language proficiency assessment scale. For pilots and air traffic controllers, it is necessary to obtain level 4 and be reassessed every three years. The level of English required to be ICAO Minimum 4 competent would be under the Common European Framework B2. However, most obtaining ICAO 4 are at the CEF level of A2-B1. Level 4 (operational) qualification is considered the minimum "stepping stone" to higher levels. The main advantage of high international standards of aviation English is that communication between the flight crew and controllers is fully understandable, especially when non-standard words and phrases are used. In addition, improved language skills can help increase flight crews' situational awareness of other aircraft, both in the air and on the ground.

After analyzing the offers of employers in the aviation sector and internationally, it can be concluded that the English language requirement is the 2nd most important, right after the requirement to confirm the education in the requested specialty.

Below is a list of the analyzed companies:

1. DFS Deutsche Flugsicherung GmbH, a company responsible for air traffic control in Germany. English language proficiency requirements are B1-B2 not only for employees, but even for students.

2. EUROCONTROL, an international organization working in the field of air traffic management in the European region. The required level of English is C1/C2.

2. ICAO, the International Civil Aviation Organization. Requirement for high level of English proficiency for all their desired employees.

3. Vimap Sp. z o.o., a Polish company engaged in obtaining GIS data using airborne and ground mobile 3D mapping technology. English language skills are required at a minimum for fluent oral communication.

Many multinational corporations have chosen English as a language of intercultural communication with access to the global market. English is also the lingua franca of diplomacy and research, as well as the language of instruction in higher education. In 2003-2004, it's estimated that

1,500 Master's programmes were offered in English in countries where English is not the first language. In Europe, which is culturally and linguistically diverse, English is being used more and more as a working language.

Conclusions. English is an incredibly important working and communication tool. It is in demand not only for international jobs, but also for higher-paying positions in the Ukrainian labor market. With regular daily lessons, you can learn English from scratch to A2 level in just 6 months. Therefore, you can increase your chances of finding a job with a high level of pay. English will also become an indispensable tool not only for working in international companies, but also for exchanging experience with foreign colleagues. Acquiring the appropriate language for a variety of professional, social and intercultural situations is imperative for successful global business communication, particularly across cultures.

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