



## IMPROVEMENT OF COMMUNICATIVE METHODOLOGY FOR LANGUAGE INTEGRATION IN NON-PHILOLOGICAL HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

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**Abstract:** In recent years, the integration of communicative methodologies in language teaching has become a focal point of pedagogical discussions, particularly in non-philological higher education institutions. These institutions, often geared toward producing professionals in fields such as engineering, business, medicine, and the sciences, face unique challenges when it comes to teaching foreign languages effectively. The traditional approach to language teaching, primarily centered on grammar and vocabulary acquisition, is increasingly viewed as inadequate for the demands of a globalized world where communication skills are essential for professional success.

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### INTRODUCTION

In a rapidly globalizing world, communication across linguistic and cultural boundaries has become integral to professional and academic success. Non-philological higher education institutions are recognizing that proficiency in a foreign



language is no longer a luxury but a necessity. However, students in these institutions often approach language learning with a pragmatic mindset—learning languages to secure employment, gain access to academic materials, or engage in international collaborations.

Thus, the challenge becomes how to integrate language learning into the broader curriculum, ensuring that students develop both functional language skills and intercultural competence, while simultaneously addressing the specific needs of their respective fields of study. “Communication skills: In the context of globalization, an important aspect is the ability to develop intercultural communication, proficiency in foreign languages, as well as teamwork and leadership skills. The ability to interact with colleagues effectively is a key in any professional activity”

## DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

Communicative language teaching (CLT) focuses on equipping students with the ability to use language in real-life situations. Unlike traditional methods that focus heavily on grammar, CLT emphasizes interaction, fluency, and the ability to communicate effectively. The primary goal of CLT is not only to teach students the rules of language but to provide them with practical tools for communication in varied contexts.

The communicative approach is founded on several key principles:

- ✓ **Focus on Communication:** Language is seen as a tool for communication, and therefore, the emphasis is on fluency rather than accuracy.
- ✓ **Real-Life Contexts:** Learning activities simulate real-life scenarios, ensuring that language acquisition is relevant and practical.



- ✓ **Learner-Centered Approach:** Students take an active role in their learning process, engaging in meaningful tasks that reflect their academic or professional interests.
- ✓ **Task-Based Learning:** The focus is on completing tasks or solving problems, often in collaborative settings, to reflect the types of challenges students might face in their careers.

In non-philological disciplines, language teaching should go beyond the traditional emphasis on grammar and vocabulary. Integrating communicative methodology requires a shift towards approaches that encourage active use of language in context. Several strategies have emerged as part of this shift: “In order to develop a principled approach to materials for speaking skills, we need an understanding of what the skill entails. It is a common misconception, for example, that if learners are using English words and sentences in the classroom, then they are developing speaking skills, even if they are only chanting grammar drills or reciting lists of vocabulary. To understand why this is a misconception, we need to consider the complexity of the speaking skill, as described, for example, by Burns and Hill (2013): Speaking is a complex mental process combining various cognitive skills, virtually simultaneously, and drawing on working memory of words and concepts, while self-monitoring”

#### **a) Contextualized Language Use**

In non-philological fields, the integration of specific vocabulary, terminology, and discourse related to students’ areas of study is crucial. For example, engineering students may learn how to write technical reports, communicate findings, or present ideas in academic conferences. For business students, the focus may be on learning how to negotiate, present in meetings, or write professional emails. The content of language learning should align with the student’s future professional needs.



### **b) Task-Based Language Teaching (TBLT)**

Task-based learning, a key aspect of communicative methodology, is particularly effective in non-philological education. It allows students to engage in tasks that mirror real-world challenges. For instance, medical students might participate in role-playing exercises where they simulate doctor-patient interactions, or business students might engage in mock negotiations. These tasks promote not only linguistic proficiency but also the development of critical thinking and problem-solving skills in a professional context.

### **c) Interdisciplinary Approach**

An interdisciplinary approach encourages the use of foreign languages in academic disciplines other than language studies. Collaborative efforts between language instructors and faculty members in non-philological departments help develop content-specific materials that cater to the needs of students. By blending language teaching with subject-specific knowledge, students gain not only linguistic skills but also a deeper understanding of their discipline through a multilingual lens.

## **RESULT**

The rapid development of digital tools has also played a significant role in the evolution of communicative methodologies. Technology has enabled more interactive and engaging language learning experiences. Online platforms, virtual language exchange programs, and multimedia resources can support language learning in non-philological contexts by providing authentic materials and facilitating communication with speakers from different cultural backgrounds.

- **Online Learning Platforms:** Digital platforms offer students access to language courses, webinars, and peer interactions, which can complement face-to-face instruction.



- **Virtual Reality (VR):** Emerging technologies such as VR can immerse students in realistic environments where they practice language skills in professional settings.
- **Language Learning Apps:** Mobile applications, such as Duolingo or Babbel, offer language learners the flexibility to practice outside the classroom, reinforcing communicative skills at their own pace.

## 5. Benefits of Communicative Methodology in Non-Philological Education

The development of communicative methodology in non-philological higher education institutions offers a range of benefits for both students and educators:

- **Increased Language Proficiency:** Students develop the practical language skills needed for real-world communication.
- **Improved Employability:** As global job markets demand multilingual professionals, students are better prepared to meet the demands of international organizations.
- **Enhanced Cultural Competence:** By learning a language through real-life tasks and intercultural exchanges, students gain cultural awareness and the ability to interact effectively in diverse settings.
- **Greater Motivation:** When language learning is connected to students' academic and professional goals, their motivation and engagement increase, leading to more effective learning outcomes.

## 6. Challenges and Future Directions

While the integration of communicative methodologies into non-philological education holds great promise, several challenges remain. These include:

- **Teacher Training:** Instructors in non-philological fields often lack specialized training in language pedagogy. Professional development programs are





necessary to equip educators with the tools to implement communicative teaching strategies effectively.

- **Curriculum Design:** Developing curricula that balance the demands of academic rigor and language learning requires collaboration between language instructors and subject-specific faculty.
- **Student Resistance:** Some students may initially resist communicative approaches, particularly if they are accustomed to more traditional, grammar-based methods. Overcoming this resistance requires clear communication of the benefits and gradual integration into the curriculum.

## CONCLUSION

The development of communicative methodology in non-philological higher education institutions represents a crucial step toward creating a more holistic, integrated approach to language learning. By emphasizing real-world communication, task-based learning, and interdisciplinary collaboration, these institutions can equip students with the language skills necessary for success in an interconnected world. As education systems continue to evolve, the adoption of communicative methodologies will play a pivotal role in shaping a generation of multilingual, culturally competent professionals prepared to meet the challenges of a globalized society.

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