

Press Release

NEW ONLINE COURSE: ENGLISH FOR DOCTORS: CLINICAL INTERACTIONS 1

Specialist Language Courses (SLC) is delighted to launch its new online English for Doctors course, Clinical Interactions 1.

This short 24-hour course gives doctors, healthcare professionals and medical students the English language skills they need to communicate effectively with patients in what can be highly challenging circumstances. Learners focus on the initial stages of the doctor-patient journey: admission and interview, discussing problems, and conducting examinations, observations and tests.

Each section covers a wide variety of communicative scenarios, from clerking a patient to discussing pain to conducting intimate examinations, taking blood samples and talking about neurological changes. There are focus sections on essential communicative strategies such as putting patients at ease, dealing with distress and anxiety, and asking funnelling questions at interview.

This is the first of a series of 5 short courses scheduled for release in the near future, all of which can be taken alone or in combination with each other. The other courses are:

- Clinical Interactions 2 (diagnosis, treatment, surgery, end-of-life care)
- Medical Terminology 1 (the body external)
- Medical Terminology 2 (the body internal)
- Academic Medical English (writing articles, abstracts, presentations, etc).

The course was written by leading Medical English writer and practitioner, <u>Virginia Allum</u>, in conjunction with SLC, the UK's leading online Medical English publisher and training company.

"The course is designed to be practical," said Virginia, "giving doctors, medical students and other healthcare professionals both the English and communicative skills to handle challenging clinical interactions successfully. I know from my own experience how important this is to building rapport, trust and confidence in the doctor-patient relationship."

Online English for Doctors: Clinical Interactions 1 is now available online at https://www.specialistlanguagecourses.com/online-english-clinical-interactions/ and directly from SLC for £39 or €49.

About SLC

SLC is a leading expert in online technical, academic and business language training. SLC has a particular interest in Medical English, offering ground-breaking online English courses for doctors, nurses, healthcare assistant and carers. SLC offers self-study and blended courses, using virtual instructor-led lessons. SLC's healthcare client list includes NHS Trusts, international healthcare recruitment companies, private hospitals and care home groups. See www.specialistlanguagecourses.com for more details.

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