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Emilia Maternik has worked as an academic teacher in the Institute of Linguistics at Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań for the past nine years.

In 1996 she graduated from the Department of Scandinavian Studies earning a Master of Arts degree in Swedish. In 2002-2003 she gave lectures on the history and literature of Sweden. Being also a qualified musician helped her conduct classes in the culture of Scandinavian countries at the university.

The main field of her professional activity is teaching academic English, with particular focus on ESP (English for Special Purposes). Due to her professional calling and her practical approach to the taught subject she has been highly appreciated by both university auditors and students.

In 1995 Emilia Maternik founded Wielkopolska Szkoła Języków Obcych (Wielkopolska Language School) in Poznań, Poland. She is constantly developing the school providing language courses for both individuals and institutions of various kinds. Having customers from a wide spectrum of business sectors, including banking, finance, insurance and IT, she has had an opportunity to observe the way of communication characteristic of professionals coming from those environments. The observations inspired her to do in-depth research which concentrates on professional codes and jargons.

The acquired knowledge serves her as the base for further studies whose results will be used in her doctoral thesis.