

Subject card

Subject name and code	Intercultural communication - lecture, PG_00212378						
Field of study	Administration, Criminology, Law, Law in administration and economy						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group		Optional subject group		
Mode of study	part-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	1		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	1		ECTS credits		3.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
Conducting unit	Institute of Russian and Eastern Studies -> Faculty of Languages -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr Katarzyna Wądołowska-Lesner				
	Teachers		dr Katarzyna Wądołowska-Lesner				
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	12.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	12		0.0		63.0	75
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to familiarise students with the concepts and issues relating to intercultural communication and to explain the influence of culture on professional practice.						
Learning outcomes	Course outcome		Subject outcome		Method of verification		
			They have a well-structured understanding of social communication and intercultural communication; they understand the role of the cultural context in professional practice; they are familiar with the basic mechanisms of intercultural and international communication; and they recognise the areas in which problems arise in linguistic and social communication. They are able to recognise processes and obstacles in intercultural communication, identify problems based on the 'us-them' dichotomy, and pinpoint the sources of problems in intercultural communication. They recognise and articulate moral issues and ethical dilemmas associated with a multicultural professional environment; they seek optimal solutions to intercultural conflicts and act in accordance with ethical principles.		[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK4] test/exam - oral or written		

Subject contents	Communication - definition, essence, characteristics. Models of the communication process, levels and forms of communication. Variety of verbal communication styles. Basics of non-verbal communication: reading messages contained in gestures.Culture - definition, essence, characteristics. Variety of definitions of national culture and its elements. Cultural conditions and needs. Culture versus civilisation, stereotypes and prejudices. Cultural relativism and tolerance in the contact of cultures. Ethnocentrism as a communication barrier. Intercultural communication - definition, essence, features. Problems of intercultural communication. Non-verbal communication in intercultural relations. Intercultural communication in American countries, in Asian countries, in European countries. Ways to support language learning.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	written exam	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	Gesteland R., Cultural differences and behaviour in business, Warsaw 2000.	
		Griffin E., Fundamentals of social communication, Gdansk 2003.	
		Hampden-Turner C., Trompenaars F., Seven dimensions of culture. The importance of cultural differences in cultural activities, Warsaw 2002.	
		Hofstede G., Hofstede G.J., Minkov M., Cultures and organisations. Programming the mind, Warsaw 2011.	
		Mikulowska Pomorski J., How nations communicate with each other in intercultural communication, Kraków 2012.	
		Mole J., In the crucible of Europe. Cultural patterns and barriers in enterprises, Warsaw 2000.	
		Rosa G., Ostrowska I., Słupińska K., Gracz L., Intercultural communication in business, Kraków 2018.	
	Supplementary literature	Barker C., Cultural Studies. Theory and Practice, Krakow 2003.	
		Hall E.T., The hidden dimension, Warsaw 2003.	
		Linka A., Intercultural competence of social service workers, Szczecin 2020.	
		Meyer E., The cultural map. How to deal effectively with cultural differences in business, Kraków 2023.	
	eResources addresses		
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed			
Work placement	Not applicable		

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