

# Course description

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<b>Course name:</b>	Intercultural Communication 1		
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<b>Department/Unit /</b>	UJP / IKK1			<b>Academic Year</b>	2023/2024
<b>Title</b>	Intercultural Communication 1			<b>Type of completion</b>	Pre-Exam Credit
<b>Accredited/Credits</b>	Yes, 2 Cred.			<b>Type of completion</b>	
<b>Number of hours</b>	Seminar 2 [Hours/Week]				
<b>Occ/max</b>	Status A	Status B	Status C	<b>Course credit prior to</b>	NO
<b>Summer semester</b>	0 / -	0 / -	0 / -	<b>Counted into average</b>	NO
<b>Winter semester</b>	0 / -	0 / -	0 / -	<b>Min. (B+C) students</b>	15
<b>Timetable</b>	Yes			<b>Repeated registration</b>	NO
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English			<b>Semester taught</b>	Winter semester
<b>Optional course</b>	Yes			<b>Internship duration</b>	0
<b>Evaluation scale</b>	S\N				
<b>No. of hours of on-premise</b>					
<b>Auto acc. of credit</b>	Yes in the case of a previous evaluation 4 nebo nic.				
<b>Periodicity</b>	K				
<b>Substituted course</b>	CJP/IKK1				
<b>Preclusive courses</b>	N/A				
<b>Prerequisite courses</b>	N/A				
<b>Informally recommended courses</b>	N/A				
<b>Courses depending on this Course</b>	N/A				

## Course objectives:

The aim of the course (conducted in English) is to develop intercultural competencies and language skills at the level B1/B2 of the CEF. The course is intended mainly for foreign students, where it is necessary to take into account the different levels of language competences. Interest in social and cultural issues and a willingness to discuss are expected, as well as potential interest in participating in joint activities of local student and non-student groups related to the issue of intercultural coexistence.

## Requirements on student

presentation of the assigned topic  
self-reflection  
completion of continuous tasks assigned by the teacher

## Content

Week 1 Introduction to the course; Individual international experience. Possibilities for intercultural contacts at the University of West Bohemia (esp. International Students' Club [ISC] - buddies).  
Week 2 Language of discussion. Expressing one's opinion. Rules for intercultural communication.  
Week 3 Culture. Defining the word "culture". What is culture for you. Types of cultures.  
Week 4 Defining the word "multicultural". Multicultural aspects.  
Week 5 Communicating across cultures. Cultural influences.  
Week 6 Gender and communication. What is "masculine" and "feminine".  
Week 7 Stereotyping and generalisation. Czech culture stereotypes.  
Week 8 Body language. Communication styles. Communication and situational appropriateness.  
Week 9 Exploring language. Definitions for prejudice, discrimination, racism, sexism, and homophobia  
Week 10 Politeness in intercultural communication. Sexism in English and Czech. Political correctness. Discussing controversial issues.

Week 11 Students' presentations.  
 Week 12 Students' presentations.  
 Week 13 Consolidation and evaluation.

## Fields of study

## Guarantors and lecturers

- **Guarantors:** Mgr. Vendula Kokošková (100%)
- **Seminar lecturer:** Mgr. Svatava Heinlová, Ph.D. (100%), Mgr. Vendula Kokošková (100%)

## Literature

- **Basic:** Utleý, Derek. *Intercultural resource pack : intercultural communication resources for language teachers*. Cambridge : Cambridge University Press, 2004. ISBN 0-521-53340-6.
- **Extending:** Hofstede, G., Hofstede G.J. *Cultures and Organizations: Software of the Mind*. New York, 2004.

## Time requirements

### All forms of study

Activities	Time requirements for activity [h]
Preparation for comprehensive test (10-40)	10
Contact hours	26
Presentation preparation (report in a foreign language) (10-15)	15
<b>Total:</b>	<b>51</b>

## assessment methods

### Knowledge - knowledge achieved by taking this course are verified by the following means:

Test  
 Oral exam

### Skills - skills achieved by taking this course are verified by the following means:

Skills demonstration during practicum  
 Individual presentation at a seminar  
 Oral exam

### Competences - competence achieved by taking this course are verified by the following means:

Oral exam

## prerequisite

### Knowledge - students are expected to possess the following knowledge before the course commences to finish it successfully:

identify the basic grammatical structures  
 use the basic pronunciation rules  
 use common vocabulary used in everyday situations  
 form common grammatical structures correctly

### Skills - students are expected to possess the following skills before the course commences to finish it successfully:

manage a small talk

express an opinion in a simple way

use a range of phrases and sentences to describe in a simple way personal experience with a family, study and the student's surroundings

talk about past events

express hypothetical ideas about the present and future

grasp the key points of written and spoken texts

write a short text about personal experience

**Competences - students are expected to possess the following competences before the course commences to finish it successfully:**

N/A

N/A

### teaching methods

**Knowledge - the following training methods are used to achieve the required knowledge:**

Practicum

Field trip

Textual studies

Multimedia supported teaching

**Skills - the following training methods are used to achieve the required skills:**

Practicum

Individual study

Discussion

Collaborative instruction

Lecture

**Competences - the following training methods are used to achieve the required competences:**

Lecture

### learning outcomes

**Knowledge - knowledge resulting from the course:**

use common grammatical structures appropriately

use common vocabulary appropriately

use basic vocabulary related to intercultural communication

identify the basic means of discourse and corresponding language functions

**Skills - skills resulting from the course:**

hold a dialogue politely and with an understanding of cultural differences

take part in a discussion with understanding to key information

interpret a topic, key ideas and key information in a simple text from the area of intercultural communication

write a summary of a short text from the area of intercultural communication

give a short presentation of the student's own culture

reproduce the key idea of the heard presentation

compare the main features of the value system of one's own national culture with the value system of other cultures

express an agreement, suggestion etc.

speak English basically correctly, mostly without the so-called common mistakes in English caused by the interference of one's own language

use basic means of discourse and corresponding language functions

**Competences - competences resulting from the course:**

N/A

N/A

Course is included in study programmes: