

Courses in English

Course Description

Department	13 General and Interdisciplinary Studies
Course title	Intercultural Teamwork/ Intercultural Encounters – Come to Munich Be at Home
Hours per week (SWS)	2
Number of ECTS credits	2
Course objective	Reflecting on one's own and other people's cultural standards, beliefs, recognizing the dangers of stereotyping in an intercultural context, competent handling of cultural differences and spotting possible conflict situations, managing uncertainty in intercultural situation, (intercultural and virtual) team management, flexible communication, feedback in intercultural context, skills in digital formats of one's own choice (podcast, video, interview, prezi-style presentation etc)
Prerequisites	
Recommended reading	
Teaching methods	Interactive worksh ops, group work, discussions, work in small teams on mini-projects, minutes of reflection, digital formats of one's own choice (podcast, video, interview, prezi-style presentation etc), events (in the field of culture, art, sustainability, and sport)
Assessment methods	Students have to work cooperatively and individually on a chosen topic, present intermediate stages of their workflow, deliver one presentation in class, and write a seminar paper based on that same topic.
Language of instruction	English
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Course content	The intercultural project seminar "Come to Munich - Be at Home" enables students from different cultural backgrounds to meet and interact with each other intensively. The seminar is a cooperation between Hochschule München, Technische Universität München und Studentenwerk München. International students should have the opportunity to integrate more easily into the university, society, and the world of work through more contact with their German fellow students. German students should be able to acquire intercultural skills, which are essential on the international job market. Under the guidance of an international trainer team, the participants are made aware of other (not only national!) cultures and reflect on their own values and beliefs. They work in small international teams on mini-projects (the topic and format of their choice) and by that they get the opportunity to confront the theory on intercultural virtual teamwork with the reality. Working in small teams they experience different working styles, approaches and communication styles of their teammates. The small teams are guided in their work with reflecting questions and practical hints by the trainers. In the further course, the students meet again at cultural, sporting, and topic-related events and can thus deepen their contacts on personal level. The dates for these meetings will be stipulated in the first workshop. For more information please see the following website: www.stwm.de/come-to-munich
Remarks	Intercultural Competence, Teamwork, Soft Skills Registration: Please note that after receipt of a place in this course, either in the Courses in English registration or the AW registration („Losverfahren“), students will have to do an extra registration at our cooperation partner Studentenwerk München.

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