

Courses in English Course Description

Department	13 General and Interdisciplinary Studies
Course title	Cross-cultural Communication and Global Employability (Virtual Exchange with TAMK University and Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences)
Hours per week (SWS)	2
Number of ECTS credits	2
Course objective	The objectives of this course are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Examine common issues listed above from different perspectives.•Use English as a mean of communication in an authentic international environment.•Experience cultural similarities and differences first-hand.
Prerequisites	
Recommended reading	
Teaching methods	
Assessment methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Grade comprises of completion of tasks and a final presentation.•The tasks will be assigned after certain classes, and they account for 50% of the total grade. Grade is given based on completion and on time submission of tasks.•The final presentation accounts for the other 50% of the total grade.•Further information will be given on the first day of class.
Language of instruction	English
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Course content	<p>Cross-cultural communication skills are becoming more and more important in today's world of business and globalization. Having knowledge of different cultures facilitates communication in multi-cultural working environments.</p> <p>The purpose of this course is to offer students the opportunity to work with students from TAMK in Tampere, Finland as well as Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences in the Netherlands. In this virtual exchange course, we will examine some topics together to get a more international perspective, among others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Cultural Theories•Business Etiquette•Application Process•Sustainable Development Goals (United Nations) <p>In addition, we will take a look at some cultural similarities and differences between the three countries. As course participants will have the opportunity to work in international and multi-cultural teams, they will experience these similarities and differences first-hand, critically examine cultural theories, as well as discard stereotypes</p>
Remarks	