

Courses in English Course Description

Department 10 Business Administration

Course title Cross-cultural Communication and Management

Hours per week (SWS)

Number of ECTS credits 5

Course objective

After successful completion of this course, students will have a critical understanding of contemporary approaches to cross-cultural management and their limitations for appropriate application in practical business situations. Students will have the skills required to manage and interact effectively with cross-cultural teams by understanding and anticipating different communication styles and technology usage in the contexts of globalization and digital transformation. Students will be equipped with cross-cultural management and negotiation skills to foster synergies, value and competitive advantage in the contemporary and future business environments.

Prerequisites

- English for academic study (at least B2)
- · Basic knoweldge of intercultural theory

Recommended reading

- Brett, Jeanne, M. (2014) 'Negotiating Globally: How to Negotiate Deals, Resolve Disputes, and Make Decisions across Cultural Boundaries'. 3rd ed. San Francisco Jossey-Bass.
- Browaeys, M. & Price, R. (2015) 'Understanding Cross-Cultural Management'. 3rd ed. Harlow: Pearson.
- Comfort, Jeremy and Franklin, Peter (2014) 'The Mindful International Manager'. London: Kogan Page.
- Fry, Roger, Ury, William and Patton, Bruce (2011) 'Getting to Yes: Negotiating an Agreement without Giving In'. London: Random Haouse.
- Gannon, Martin, J. and Pillai, Rajnandini (2016) 'Understanding global cultures: metaphorical
- journeys through 34 nations, clusters of nations, continents, & diversity'. 6th ed. Thousand Oaks: Sage.
- Ghauri, Pervez, N. and Usunier, Jean-Claude (eds.) (2003) 'International Business Negotiations. 2nd ed. Bingley: Emerald Group Publishing.
- Gudykunst, William, B and Ting-Toomey, Stella (1988) 'Culture and Interpersonal Communication'. Newbury Park: Sage.
- Hall, Edward, T and Hall, Mildred, Reed (1989) 'Beyond Culture'. 2nd. Ed. New York: Anchor Books.
- Hall, Eduard (1990) 'The Silent Language'. New York: Anchor Books.
- Hall, Edward, T and Hall, Mildred, Reed (1990) 'Understanding Cultural Differences, Germans, French and Americans'. Boston, London: Intercultural Press.
- Hofstede, Geert (2001) 'Culture's Consequences'. 2nd. ed., London: Sage.
- Katz, Lothar (2017) 'Negotiating International Business'. 7th ed. North Charleston: Create Space.
- Khan, Mohammad Ayub and Ebner, Noam (2019) 'The Palgrave Handbook of Cross-cultural Business Negotiation'. Cham: Springer International Publishing. Available at:https://ezproxy.bib.fhmuenchen.de:2068/book/10.1007%2F978-3-030-00277-0
- Lewis, Richard D. (2006) 'When Cultures Collide. Managing Successfully Across Cultures'. 3rd ed. London: Brealey.
- Lewis, Richard (2012) 'When Teams Collide: Managing the International Team Successfully'.
 London: Brealey.
- Maude, Barry (2014) 'International Business Negotiation: Principles and Practice'. Basingstoke: Palgrave McMillan.
- Mooij, Marieke de (2019) 'Global Marketing and Advertising: Understanding Cultural Paradoxes'. 5th. ed. London: Sage.

Teaching methods

- Interactive seminar. Self-awareness, observation and group interaction are key skills for developing cultural effectiveness. This module seeks to develop team and communication skills in addition to continual individual reflection throughout the semester.
- This module also has a progressive assignment structure and final group-based assessment assignment requiring regular attendance and teamwork.
- Written and research assignments. Students are expected to complete readings and research tasks as study assignments and to contribute well-prepared findings and evaluations in class.
- Group tasks
- Case studies
- Independent study and research
- Presentations
- Simulations



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Assessment methods Module assignement

Language of instruction English

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Link

Course content • Globalization, localization and culture in business

Cross-cultural Management: theory and practical application
 Cross-cultural communication•Global teams – real and virtual

• Cross-cultural negotiation

· Conflict avoidance and dispute resolution

Remarks