

Courses in English Course Description

Department 14 Tourism

Course title Intercultural Competence -Focus on Chinese Culture

Course number R551/552

Hours per week (SWS) 4

Number of ECTS credits 5

Course objective To introduce students to the theories and basics of intercultural communication.

To build intercultural knowledge and competence with a special focus on business partners from Asia

Prerequisites Participants must demonstrate a sound command of spoken and written English (Level B2) in order to

hold presentations, actively participate in discussions, and write a written exam in English.

Recommended reading A reading list will be distributed at the beginning of the semester

Teaching methods Seminar style

Assessment methods Regular attendance and written examination at the end of the semester.

Language of instruction English

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Course content Building awareness about cultural differences and its impact in an international business environment.

Theories of intercultural competence and communication (Hofstede, Hall, Trompenaars, etc.), Dimensions of cultural difference, Analysis of key challenges in international business situations, Introduction to Asian culture with a special focus on the national cultures of China, Japan and India, Building intercultural competence when working with business partners with an Asian cultural

background.

Remarks The theoretical part of the course as well as of the written exam will be identical with the course

Intercultural Competence - Focus on USA etc.. Thus, students are advised to take only one of the

parallel offered Intercultural Competence courses.