Courses in English
Course Description

Department	13 General and Interdisciplinary Studies
Course title	**IDENTITY: Munich.Sarajevo**
Course number	
Hours per week (SWS)	2
Number of ECTS credits	2
Course objective	The objectives of this course are as follows: Examine issues listed above from German and Bosnian perspectives, examining similarities and differences. Use English as a mean of communication in an authentic international environment. Experience culture first-hand: as this class uses the COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning) format, students from both institutions will work closely together, online and in-person, giving them not only the benefit of theoretical lectures, but also the opportunity to experience culture first-hand. The course is conducted mostly online lessons, and students will have the opportunity to work with their teammates personally during an excursion to Sarajevo. Further information regarding the excursion will be given in class.
Prerequisites	None
Recommended reading	
Teaching methods	Organization of class This class is conducted mostly online In-person and online sessions will take place on Mondays from 10 to 11:30 am Excursion will last a maximum of five days, plus travel time, either in the week of December 7, or December 14. Details will be given in our first class.
Assessment methods	Grade:Grade is based on completion of assignments. Further information will be given on your first day of class.
Language of instruction	English
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Course content

Located in Europe, Munich and Sarajevo are roughly 90 minutes apart by flight.

Sarajevo, the capital of Bosnia and Herzegovina, is famously called the "European Jerusalem" due to its centuries-long religious and cultural diversity. It is one of the only major cities on the continent where a mosque, a Catholic church, an Eastern Orthodox church, and a synagogue stand within just a few hundred yards of each other. In the 90s, it is also the center of a war on the European continent in recent history.

Munich, now one of Germany's most prosperous and highly technological cities, has completely transformed since World War II. While the city is rooted in its 12th-century founding and rich Wittelsbach heritage, its recent history is defined by remarkable rebuilding, hosting the 1972 Summer Olympics, and its evolution into a high-tech and modern global hub.

On the surface, the two cities seem to have little in common in terms of culture, history and, above all, IDENTITY.

Or do they?

In this class, we will collaborate with International Birch University (IBU) in Sarajevo to examine the following topics more closely:

Communication
Language and identity
Role of women
Culture
Culture of Remembrance

Media such as photography, images and videos will be a central part of this course, adding a layer and dimension to the content where sometimes words fail.

Remarks