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Study unit	Developing Intercultural Competences (R0077), 5.0
Implementation	CCA1711: 1/2017-2018 (28.08.2017 - 22.12.2017)
Type	LANGUAGE SKILLS AND INTERNATIONAL COMPETENCE (R022)
Groups	Primary: CCA17SY Others :
Involved in the project	
Lecturers	Milton Aldrete and Tarja Chydenius
Number of participants	Minimum: 20 Maximum: 40
Enrolment period	15.05.2017 08:00 - 20.08.2017
Main timing for implementation	According to a schedule agreed by the parties
Applicability	For exchange students: Yes For elective studies: Yes Open UAS student: Yes Suitable for virtual UAS: Yes
Teachers	Aldrete Milton (Other teacher), Chydenius Tarja (Other teacher)
Campus	Laurea Leppävaara
Main location for implementation	Virtually
Implementation method	Optima realization/student group, Web/virtual Language: English Virtuality: 5 cr Integration of R&D: 1 cr
Implementation class	LbD supporting knowledge and skills development
Focus areas	
Evaluation at the latest	22.01.2018 Storing of graded material ends.: 22.12.2018
Exam days	
Having completed the study unit the student is able to	The student is able to: • understand and interpret meanings of different cultural behaviors and phenomena • apply cross-cultural knowledge to improve intercultural encounters • work effectively in multicultural teams and work environments • resolve intercultural conflicts in a professional manner
Previous studies	
Learning objectives	• Basic concepts of cultural studies • Cross-cultural theories, a small-scale cross-cultural research • Intercultural communication and conflict management • Developing a personal intercultural competence plan
Contents	The course has been divided into the following learning modules: I - Orientation to the course and the topic (2 weeks) II - Basic concepts of cultural studies (2 weeks) III - Cross-cult. theories (3 weeks) IV - Critical incidents (2 weeks) V - Conflict management (2 weeks) VI - Project / Int. cult. competence (3 weeks) VII - Team & self-evaluation (1 week)
Tutoring and communication	This is a fully online study unit. All material and communication will take place on the study unit's Optima space
Evaluation criteria and methods	0 - 5 Evaluation criteria for 5 (excellent): 60 % of the grade is based on individual assignments (e.g. blogs) • Applies professional intercultural competence in concepts expertly and extensively, and manages the big picture. • Utilizes given and additional sources expertly.

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	• Works independently and innovatively in line with objectives; Activities are mostly creative, focused on developing the topic and are distinctly professional. • Takes initiatives and acts responsibly, and understands the meaning of the big picture. • Develops, integrates and renews perspectives offered in peer blogs. • Maintains a critical, ethical and constructive tone in the blog discussions, including when handling complex issues. • Holds uncompromisingly to deadlines and demonstrates enthusiasm towards the subject. 40 % of the grade is based on peer evaluation • Promotes group activities as a team leader or active and flexible member in an excellent manner. • Initiates group tasks regularly. • Works systematically and has a development-oriented, creative and active approach to team work. • Applies professional concepts expertly. • Justifies activities (e.g by using research knowledge).
Work strain	The student should be prepared to work on this course on average 10 hours a week, returning online assignments done individually or in groups on weekly basis. 5 cr equals about 135 work hours during the semester.
Other arrangements	The learning environment is the web based Optima. The students need a computer with in-built microphone (or a headset with microphone) and a webcam. The spots are filled by the following criteria:- Earned study points (priority given to students needing to graduate) - Early registration (first come, first served) - Commitment to finish the course (time & motivation)