

## UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MARA

## EIC403: INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION

| Course Name<br>(English)  | INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION APPROVED  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Course Code   | EIC403  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MQF Credit  | MQF Credit 4  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Course<br>Description   | This course is designed to create awareness of the important role culture and<br>language plays in intercultural communication. The course is also aimed at<br>highlighting the cultural dimensions and the barriers to communication across<br>cultures. Therefore, this course will equip students with this knowledge to be able to<br>interact effectively in multicultural English -speaking contexts.                                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transferable Skills   | Written Communication, Verbal Communication, Research and Analytical Skills, Teamwork, Personal Development   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Teaching<br>Methodologies   | Lectures, Blended Learning, Case Study, Discussion, Presentation, Self-directed Learning, Role Play   |  |  |  |  |  |
| CLO   | <ul> <li>CLO1 Apply fundamental knowledge to describe the role of culture, the role of language and models of intercultural communication.</li> <li>CLO2 Display effective communication skills on issues of cultural dimensions in intercultural communication.</li> <li>CLO3 Demonstrate collaborative teamwork by providing practical solutions to issues by analysing barriers and differences in intercultural communication.</li> </ul> |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pre-Requisite<br>Courses  | No course recommendations   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Topics         1. 1.0 Introduction to Intercultural Communication         1.1) 1.1 Importance of intercultural communication         1.2) 1.2 The role of culture in intercultural communication         1.3) 1.3 The importance of language in intercultural communication   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>1.4) 1.4 The role of language in intercultural communication</li> <li>2.0 Cultural Dimensions in Intercultural Communication</li> <li>2.1) 2.1 Time and Cultural space (Halls)</li> <li>2.2) 2.2 Individualism/Collectivism (Hofstede)</li> <li>2.3) 2.3 Uncertainty Avoidance (Hofstede)</li> <li>2.4) 2.4 Power distance (Hofstede)</li> <li>2.5) 2.5 Masculinity and Femininity (Hofstede)</li> <li>2.6) 2.6 High context and Low context (Halls)</li> <li>2.7) 2.7 Indulgence and Resistance (Hofstede)</li> <li>2.8) 2.8 Nature and the Environment</li> <li>2.9) 2.9 The Verbal Code/ The Non-Verbal Code</li> </ul> |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.3 Barriers to Intercultural Communication<br>3.1) 3.1 Attitudes<br>3.2) 3.2 Perception<br>3.3) 3.3 Stereotypes<br>3.4) 3.4 Interpretation<br>3.5) 3.5 Culture Shock   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>4. 4.0 Managing diff</b><br>4.1) 4.1 Cultural learn<br>4.2) 4.2 Diversity<br>4.3) 4.3 Language Pr  |   |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Assessment Breakdown  | %       |
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| Continuous Assessment | 100.00% |

| Details of               |                                |  |                       |          |  |
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| Continuous<br>Assessment | Assessment<br>Type             | Assessment Description   | % of<br>Total<br>Mark | CLO      |  |
|                          | Group Project                  | A group project consists of 3-4 members where<br>they need to report on their findings based on<br>interviewing 2 respondents on barriers of<br>intercultural communication and the solution to the<br>barriers. | 40%                   | CLO3     |  |
|                          | Presentation                   | A pair presentation where the students need to present their findings on cultural dimensions.  | 30%                   | CLO2     |  |
|                          | Test                           | Students are to sit for a test where they need to answer all three questions.  | 30%                   | CLO1     |  |
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| Reading List             | Recommended<br>Text            | Neuliep, J.W. 2018, Intercultural Communication: A Contextual Approach, 7th Ed., Sage  |                       |          |  |
|                          | Reference<br>Book<br>Resources | Jandt F.E. 2018, An Introduction to Intercultural Communication, 9th. Ed., Sage  |                       |          |  |
|                          |                                | Martin, J and Nakayama 2018, <i>Intercultural Con</i><br><i>Contexts</i> , 7th. Ed., McGraw Hill   | nmunica               | ntion in |  |

This Course does not have any article/paper resources

This Course does not have any other resources

Samova, L.A. and Porter, R.E. 2018, *Communication between Cultures*, 9th. Ed., Thomson Wadsworth

Samova L.A. 2015, *Intercultural Communication: A reader*, 14th. Ed., Cengage Learning

Article/Paper List

**Other References**