

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSE UNIT**

Course unit title	Course unit code
Global Communication and Negotiation	

Lecturer(s)	Department(s) where course unit (module)F is delivered						
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Study cycle	Type of the course unit (module)
Second cycle	Compulsory Course

Mode of delivery	Period when the course unit (module) is delivered	Language of instruction
Lectures/Seminars	1 Semester	Lithuanian

Requirements for students						
Prerequisites: —	Additional requirements (if any): —					

Course (module) volume in credits	Total student's workload	Contact hours	Self-study hours		
5	130	34	96		

## Purpose of the course unit (module): programme competences to be developed

The knowledge acquired during the course will enable to analyze, understand and evaluate the differences between different cultures and phenomena in the global multicultural environment, see their causes and forecast trends and apply the acquired knowledge of intercultural communication and negotiation to international business development, successful teamwork and negotiation for solving cross-cultural conflicts and taking into account the needs of society in the context of sustainable development.

Learning outcomes of the course unit (module)	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
Will be able to	Lectures.	Exam and colloquium.
communicate and	Seminars (analysis of various	Theoretical assessment
successfully collaborate in	intercultural communication	(test with open and
the global marketplace,	situations, case presentations,	closed questions).
understanding the	discussions and discussions,	Evaluation of practical
multicultural and	performance of various practical	tasks and presentations
intercultural environment,	tasks)	and participation in
properly appreciating,	Self-study.	discussions during the
recognizing and respecting	Prepare a detailed case study of	seminar.
cultural differences, making	the cultural specificities and	Evaluation of
decisions related to the	business etiquette,	independent work

dimensions of intercultural communication and negotiations (evaluation of the of the selected specific country environment change and performed case analysis sustainable development and present and discuss in a report and evaluation of the case presentation in seminar the seminar) Exam and colloquium. Lectures. Theoretical assessment Seminars (analysis of various Will be able to present (test with open and intercultural communication properly innovative closed questions). situations, case presentations, business solutions to Evaluation of practical discussions and discussions, employees and business tasks and presentations performance of various practical partners, based on theories and participation in tasks) and models of intercultural discussions during the Self-study. communication, allowing to seminar. Prepare a detailed case study of assess cultural differences Evaluation of the cultural specificities and and societal needs in the independent work business etiquette, context of sustainable (evaluation of the communication and negotiations development and other performed case analysis of the selected specific country global challenges report and evaluation of and present and discuss in a the case presentation in seminar the seminar). Exam and colloquium. Lectures. Theoretical assessment Seminars (analysis of various Will be able apply properly (test with open and intercultural communication the principles of closed questions). situations, case presentations, intercultural communication Evaluation of practical discussions and discussions, and negotiation and make tasks and presentations performance of various practical effective use of available and participation in tasks) human resources to generate discussions during the Self-study. the greatest benefits for seminar. Prepare a detailed case study of business and society and to Evaluation of the cultural specificities and manage various risks in independent work business etiquette, cooperation and negotiation (evaluation of the communication and negotiations with business partners in performed case analysis of the selected specific country other countries. report and evaluation of and present and discuss in a the case presentation in seminar the seminar).

Will be able to apply properly the principles of intercultural communication and negotiation and make effective use of available human resources to attract foreign partners and initiate and successfully manage international projects, taking into account cultural differences and sustainable development priorities

Lectures.

Seminars (analysis of various intercultural communication situations, case presentations, discussions and discussions, performance of various practical tasks)

Self-study.

Prepare a detailed case study of the cultural specificities and business etiquette, communication and negotiations of the selected specific country and present and discuss in a seminar Exam and colloquium. Theoretical assessment (test with open and closed questions). Evaluation of practical tasks and presentations and participation in discussions during the seminar.

Evaluation of independent work (evaluation of the performed case analysis report and evaluation of the case presentation in the seminar)

Will be able to apply properly the theories of intercultural communication and negotiation and the principles of the latest management theories to the international development of international business projects and organizations.

Lectures.

Seminars (analysis of various intercultural communication situations, case presentations, discussions and discussions, performance of various practical tasks)

Self-study.

Prepare a detailed case study of the cultural specificities and business etiquette, communication and negotiations of the selected specific country and present and discuss in a seminar Exam and colloquium. Theoretical assessment (test with open and closed questions). Evaluation of practical tasks and presentations and participation in discussions during the seminar Evaluation of independent work (evaluation of the performed case analysis report and evaluation of the case presentation in the seminar)

	Contact hours								Self-study work: time and assignments		
Content: breakdown of the topics	Lectures	Tutorials	Seminars	Exercises	Laboratory work	Internship/work	Contact hours	Self-study hours	Assignments		
Introductory lecture. Introduction to	2						2	10	Lectures and		
the course.									seminars will		
The concept of communication and	2		1				3	7	be delivered,		
its place in the management science.									during seminars		
Interpersonal communication, global									students will be		
communication, the main forms of									assessed for the		
communication, understanding the									theoretical		

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importance of communication, verbal and non-verbal interpersonal communication.						course that was delivered during theoretical
Culture in the communication science. The concept of culture, culture and civilisations, culture and religion, formal and informal culture, culture and values, cultural identity in the context of global communication.	2	1		3	7	lectures as well as solve exercises on communication with representatives of different
Global intercultural communication theories. The theory of high- and low- context cultures by E. Hall, the theory of cultural openness to the world and information by R. D. Lewis, G. Hofstede's cultural theory, E. D. Hirch's theory of cultural literacy, S. P. Huntington's theory and other theories.	6	1		7	14	cultures. The students will also have to prepare homework (write an essay), which aims to present detailed
Efficient international negotiations and cross-cultural conflicts. Causes of cross-cultural conflicts, conflict resolution strategies, negotiating features in different cultures: decision-making, ethics, compromise, language, body language, silence.	4	2		6	11	aims to present

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						students will be
						assessed for a
						part of
						theoretical
						course.
						Literature
						(Harhie, 2011,
						p. 1-43; p. 399-
						433).
Preparing for a mid-term assessment.					12	,
Culture shock, acculturation, and	2	1		3	7	Lectures were
stereotypes. The concept of culture						delivered.
shock, acculturation, the concept of						Seminars will
stages of culture shock, the						be delivered,
advantages of culture shock, M.						where students
Benett's foreign cultural assimilation						will be assessed
model, the concept of stereotypes, the						for the
social roles of stereotypes and the						theoretical
importance of international						course that was
communication, prejudices in the						delivered
international and global cross-						during
cultural communication.						theoretical
The basics of communication and	2	1		3	7	lectures as well
ethics of European nations: cross-		1			,	as solve
cultural analysis of non-verbal codes,						exercises on
attitudes towards times,						communication
communication methods, manners						with
and behaviour: norms and non-						representatives
written rules, personal space,						of different
etiquette and negotiation styles.						cultures. The
The basics of communication and	2	1		3	7	students will
ethics of Asian nations: cross-cultural		1		3	,	also have to
analysis of non-verbal codes,						prepare
attitudes towards times,						homework
communication methods, manners						(write an
and behaviour: norms and non-						essay), which
						aims to present
written rules, personal space,						detailed
etiquette and negotiation styles.						analysis of
						communication
						with a
						representative
						from specific
						country.
						Theoretical
						lectures will be
						delivered
						applying a
						problematic
						teaching

Preparing for the exam and taking the exam.  Total	24	2	8		3 4	96	
Pranaring for the axam and taking the		2			2		method, while seminars will be dedicated to presenting students homework, discussions and case analysis of communicating with representatives of different cultures. Literature (Harhie, 2011, p. 433-479; Foster, 2004a,b)

Assessment	Weig	Deadlin	Assessment criteria
strategy	ht,%	e	
Colloquium	30%	Weeks 9	Written test consists of open and closed
		to 10	questions.
			The evaluation is as follows:
			3: Excellent knowledge and skills. Assessment
			level. 90% to 100% of correct answers.
			2.5: Good knowledge and skills, non-essential
			mistakes are allowed. Synthesis level. 70% to
			89% of correct answers.
			2: Average knowledge and skills, there are some
			mistakes. Analysis level. 50% to 69% of correct
			answers.
			1.5: Knowledge and skills are lower than
			average, there are some (essential) mistakes.
			Knowledge application level. 30% to 49% of
			correct answers.
			0.5: Knowledge and skills still meet minimum
			requirements. A lot of mistakes. Knowledge and
			comprehension level. 10% to 29% of correct
			answers.
			0: Minimum requirements are not met. 0% to 9%
			of correct answers.
Homework	30%	Until the	Provide a comprehensive analysis of
(abstract)		beginnin	communication and negotiation with a
		g of the	representative of selected culture in the form of
		session	an abstract, up to 20 to 25 pages. The abstract

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			should be submitted and presented during seminars prior to the beginning of the session. Evaluation:  3 – the abstract is completed according to all requirements, the quality of the work is excellent. 90% to 100% of the sections are completed, references are cited properly, there are no spelling or grammar errors, there are no contradicting arguments in various sections of the abstract, and structure of the abstract is logically sound and coherent.  2 – the abstract is well done, 70% to 89% of the sections are completed, references are cited properly, there are no spelling or grammar errors, there are no contradicting arguments in various sections of the abstract, and structure of the abstract is logically sound and coherent. There are no more than two flaws in the abstract.  1–the abstract is satisfactory, 50% to 69% of the sections are completed, the tasks are completed satisfactorily, goals and tasks of the assignment are met. There are some spelling and grammar mistakes, citations do not meet the requirements, there are some contradictions and discrepancies between arguments in various sections of the abstract. There are less than two major flaws in the abstract.  0 – the abstract is not satisfactory, 0% to 40% of the sections are completed, goals and tasks of the assignment are not met, a lot of unrelated information is provided, references are not listed, there are spelling and grammar mistakes, arguments in various sections of the abstract are
Exam	30%	On the	not coherent and contradict each other. There are more than two major flaws in the abstract.  The test consists of open and closed type
Exam	30%	day of the exam	questions (of different difficulty, from comprehension to assessment), each is worth one point. The evaluation is performed as follows:  3: Excellent knowledge and skills. Assessment level. 90% to 100% of correct answers.  2.5: Good knowledge and skills, non-essential mistakes are allowed. Synthesis level. 70% to 89% of correct answers.  2: Average knowledge and skills, there are some mistakes. Analysis level. 50% to 69% of correct answers.  1.5: Knowledge and skills are lower than average, there are some (essential) mistakes.

			Knowledge application level. 30% to 49% of correct answers. <b>0.5</b> : Knowledge and skills still meet minimum requirements. A lot of mistakes. Knowledge and comprehension level. 10% to 29% of correct answers. <b>0</b> : Minimum requirements are not met. 0% to 9% of correct answers.
Active participation	10%	During	It is necessary to attend all seminars and actively
in seminars		the	participate in discussions and in solving the tasks
		semester	related to case studies.

Author	Year of publi cation	Title	Number of periodical publication or publication Volume	The place of publication and publisher or online link			
Compulsory reading							
Hargie, O.	2011	Skilled interpersonal communication: research, theory and practice	Textbook	NY: Routledge			
Donal Carbaugh	2017	The Handbook of Communication in Cross-cultural Perspective	Textbook	NY: Routledge			
Hofstede, G.	1977	Cultures and Organizations: Software of the Mind. 1st edition	Textbook	McGraw-Hill USA			
Chhokar, J. S. Brodbeck, F. C., House, R. J.	2013	Culture and Leadership Across the World: The GLOBE Book of In- Depth Studies of 25 Societies	Textbook	NY: Routledge			
Gesteland, R. R.	1996	Cross-cultural Business Behavior: Marketing, Negotiating and Managing Across Cultures	Textbook	Handelshøjskolens forlag			

Avruch, K.	1999	Culture and Conflict Resolution	Textbook	Washington: United States Institute of Peace Press				
Optional reading								
Foster, D.	2000	The Global Etiquette Guide to Asia	Textbook	New York: John Wiley and Sons Inc.				
Foster, D.	2000	The Global Etiquette Guide to Europe: Everything You Need to Know for Business and Travel Success	Textbook	New York: John Wiley and Sons Inc.				
Lewis, R. D.	1996	When Cultures Collide: Managing Successfully Across Cultures	Textbook	London: Axis Europe Limited				
Lewis, R. D.	1999	Cross-cultural communication. A Visual Approach.	Textbook	London: Axis Europe Limited				