

 Leipzig University of Applied Sciences	General Studies for International Students			
	Module Course code		Culture Lab GSC	
	Semester		Summer semester	
	ECTS, level		up to 2 points, without marking!	
	Language of instruction		English	
	Teaching staff		Anke Fleckenstein, M. A. Dr. rer. nat. Martin Schubert (organisation)	
Prerequisites	None			
Learning outcomes	<p>The aim of our interdisciplinary modules is to enable the student to reflect upon his/her own actions, categorize his/her knowledge and recognize interrelations. The competence to judge and act in political, economic, ecological and intercultural areas shall be trained through an open and contentious discussion based on a selected topic.</p> <p>The interdisciplinary modules cover topics relevant to society and scientific/technological issues of an interdisciplinary character. Thereby the view on functional and communication mechanisms in society shall be sharpened. The topics are approached from perspectives as different as possible.</p>			
Course contents	<p>What do Waldeinsamkeit, Saudade and Tsundoku have in common? Ever heard of the Atlas of Prejudice? What is the difference between a stereotype and a prejudice? Why even worry about it? Crossing (cultural) bridges? Weaving a global tapestry?</p> <p>At Culture Lab, we will examine and discuss all of the above and more:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Definitions of culture (Is there such a thing as Leitkultur?) - Intercultural communication (Is there more to it than just learning a foreign language?) - Culture shock (Ever experienced one?) - Cultural iceberg and onion models (You will find out soon...) <p>Join us for some soft skills-building as we are going to work your intercultural muscles!</p>			
Workload	60 hours, of which 28 hours attendance (14 weeks x 2 hours)			
Pre-examination requirements	You will get 1 ECTS credit point just for working in the seminar and attendance. You will receive 2 ECTS point if you present the results elaborately.			
Mode of instruction and assessment	Lecture	Seminar	Laboratory Course	Assessment
		2 hours per week		Presentation
Recommended reading	will be announced			