

Syllabus for UWXCM213

Intercultural Communication

NOTE: This syllabus document contains the basic information of this course. The most current syllabus is available in the full course.

Course Description

This course introduces students to the complex relationship between culture and communication. The role of communication and context (social, cultural, historical) in intercultural interactions is exemplified through multiple perspectives. In addition, issues surrounding theory development, such as ethical considerations and dialogues on opposing perspectives are examined.

Prerequisite(s)

None.

Course Outcomes

1. Explain how diverse cultural frameworks inform the social identities that shape American society.
2. Articulate which social and historical factors shape meaningful interactions with diverse human populations.
3. Identify similarities and differences among cultures throughout the United States and abroad.
4. Describe how cultural differences and characteristics affect verbal and nonverbal behaviors.
5. Evaluate their own intercultural interactions, behaviors, and beliefs across diverse contexts.

Course Requirements/Components

The course will include a combination of quizzes, exams, and writing assignments covering the following topics.

1. Defining Intercultural Communication
2. Action Ethics & Research in Intercultural Communication
3. Origins of Intercultural Communication
4. Cultural Values and Norms
5. Identity Construction
6. Intercultural Tensions and Conflict
7. Verbal Expression of Intercultural Communication
8. Cultural Codes and Spaces
9. Cultural Rhetoric and Persuasive Contexts
10. Media & Intercultural Communication

- 11. Culture and Emerging Media
- 12. Cultural Competence and Reflexivity
- 13. Intercultural Relationships in Everyday Life

Grading

The following grading scale will be used to evaluate all course requirements and to determine your final grade:

Grade	Percentage Range
A	93-100%
A-	90-92%
B+	87-89%
B	83-86%
B-	80-82%
C+	77-79%
C	73-76%
C-	70-72%
D+	67-69%
D	60-66%
F	59% and under

Assignment	Percent of Grade
Chapter Assignments	40%
Lesson Quizzes	25%
Midterm and Final Exams	20%
Media Analysis Project	15%
Total Points	100