



## COURSE SYLLABUS

# Intercultural and International Communication, 7.5 credits

*Interkulturell och internationell kommunikation, 7,5 högskolepoäng*

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<b>Course Code:</b> TIKG18	<b>Education Cycle:</b> First-cycle level
<b>Confirmed by:</b> Dean Apr 6, 2018	<b>Disciplinary domain:</b> Social sciences (50%) and technology (50%)
<b>Valid From:</b> Aug 1, 2018	<b>Subject group:</b> IE1
<b>Version:</b> 1	<b>Specialised in:</b> G1N
	<b>Main field of study:</b> Industrial Engineering and Management

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### Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

After a successful course, the student shall:

Knowledge and understanding

- show familiarity with and define cultural factors that affect the communication process like
- show understanding of the sociological and psychological signs a person goes through during the adaptation to a new culture

Skills and abilities

- demonstrate skills of effectively functioning in a cross-cultural environment

Judgement and approach

- demonstrate the ability to reflect over the process of becoming interculturally competent

### Contents

This course is designed for students/professionals wishing to increase their intercultural understanding and to gain the tools for building international ties. Students will explore their own culture, begin to perceive the impact of culture on daily life, learn some of the basic theories of cross-cultural communication and work towards achieving cross-cultural competence.

Focus is placed on the application of theory and research in intercultural communication. Both crosscultural (comparisons of communication across cultures) and intercultural (communication between

members of different cultures) communication are emphasized. Topics include:

- Cultural inheritance and Swedish mentality
- Worldview, ethnocentrism, non-verbal communication
- Cultural values and identity, the deep structures of culture.
- Multiculturalism and Cultural Change
- Immigration, integration and cross-cultural work.

### Type of instruction

Lectures, structured discussions in multi-culture groups with written and oral reports, seminars

around written assignments. Guest lectures.

The teaching is conducted in English.

### **Prerequisites**

General admission requirements and English B.

### **Examination and grades**

The course is graded 5,4,3 or Fail.

Two written assignment.

Active attendance at lectures, work-shops and seminar.

Registration of examination:

<b>Name of the Test</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Grading</b>
Examination	7.5 credits	5/4/3/U

### **Course literature**

Literature

Samovar A, Porter R, McDaniel E (2006) Communication Between Cultures. International Ed.  
Cengage Learning