



Tübingen - Virtual Intercultural Program

October 5 – December 11, 2026

Course title	Freedom of Expression in Europe Today
Course content	"Without interferences and regardless of frontiers": What are the limits of freedom of expression? How is it being endangered today in Europe? This course focuses on the importance of freedom of expression as a basic human right and as a core value of democratic societies of today's Europe. After a general introduction to human rights and the European human rights protection system, the students will be confronted with authentic cases of violation of freedom of expression and will discuss the problems occurring when trying to limit it.
Learning objectives	The aim of the course is to provide for an informed understanding of the importance of freedom of expression in contemporary Europe. Students will become familiar with the theoretical and practical approaches to the basic human right of freedom of expression and its implementation.
Method of instruction	Distance learning. Courses will be taught via ZOOM (135 min/week) and Moodle.
Academic hours	3 hours per week on Zoom.
Course requirements	The course does not require any previous knowledge and is aimed at students interested in human rights theory and implementation.
Credits & Grading	4 ECTS Weekly assignments and a final presentation are required to get credits and grades.
Course language	English
Number of places	20
Course instructor	Dr. Germana Favognano-Bihr
Schedule	Course takes place Tuesdays, at 6:30pm (German time) First lesson on Tuesday, October 06, at 6:30pm (German time)