



Tübingen - Virtual Intercultural Program

October 5 – December 11, 2026

Course title	Waging Peace Through Cross-Cultural Understanding
Course content	The course provides students with a unique opportunity to develop a global diversity perspective in communication and dialogue. Students will explore their own identity and positionality in the world in a way that allows them to develop empathetic skills that are critical to developing a more secure, healthy, and just world. Utilizing the skills of appreciative inquiry, appreciative curiosity and a variety of dialogic techniques, students will be able to engage some of the world's most compelling issues: immigration, poverty and development, extremism, xenophobia/racism, sexism, religious, cultural, and political divisions.
Learning objectives	Students will: 1) build foundational knowledge of critical issues; integrate that knowledge through readings and deep reflection. 2) develop own guidelines for engagement to develop a deep connection to one another via facilitated dialogue centered on appreciative inquiry and curiosity 3) communicate across diverse communities, increase global awareness.
Method of instruction	International Virtual Exchange. Student driven and project-based. Courses will be taught via ZOOM (90 min/week) and MOODLE (content management system of Tübingen University) (45 min/week).
Academic hours	2 hours/week on Zoom + 1 hour/week on learning platform
Course requirements	Advanced knowledge of English
Credits & Grading	4 ECTS Based on response paper, research presentation, research paper.
Course language	English
Number of places	20
Course instructor	Dr. Philipp Kneis, Dr. Allison Davis-White Eyes (Oregon State University)
Schedule	Course takes place Fridays, at 5:00pm (German time) First lesson on Friday, October 09, at 5:00pm (German time)