





INDONESIAN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MOBILITY AWARDS 2022

Course syllabus

Title:	REFLECTIVE COMMUNICATION SKILLS
Credit points (ECTS):	8
Term:	Fall
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Aims

The goal of the course is to improve students' reflective skills, cultural competency, and empathy. These are key competencies in any helping professions.

Learning outcomes:

Knowledge:

- The role of empathy in the helping professions
- Using intercultural comparisons to build knowledge in social work/helping professions.
- The use of dialogue theories in the helping professions.

Skills:

- Improvements in cultural competency
- Empathy and mentalization skills as core skills in interpersonal communication
- Presentation skills
- Critical-reflective thinking

Syllabus:

The schedule is tentative, and subject to change.

- 1. Introduction: optimising the learning experience. Main concepts.
- 2. Communication and human development. The reflective self and the reflective community
- 3. Reflections on the socio-cultural context.
- 4. Main concepts of intercultural communication. Cultural competence
- 5. Use of photography (group exercises and discussions on humanitarian catastrophes)
- 6. Dialogue in the helping professions. Empathy and mentalization in dialogue
- 7. The Bohm-dialogue (group exercise)
- 8. Reflective portrait (group exercises and discussions on addiction)
- 9. Reflective portrait (group exercises and discussions on women's rights)
- 10. Reflective portrait (group exercises and discussions on homelessness)
- 11. Video techniques to enhance reflective skills. How to make a reflective video journal?
- 12. Sharing reflective video journals. (Interpersonal process recall)
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Learning and teaching strategy:

- Transformative-dialogic approaches to reflect on cultural practices and interpersonal communication patterns
- Group exercises and shared reflections
- Case simulations (reflective portrait)

Video techniques	
Core learning materials:	 Bohm dialogue. http://www.david-bohm.net/dialogue/ Penman R (2012) On taking communication seriously. Australian Journal of Communication 39(3): 41-63.
	 Penman R (1992) Good Theory and Good Practice: An Argument in Progress. Communication Theory 2(3): 234–250. Philipsen, G (1992) Speaking culturally. New York: Suny Press