

## **COMS 356 Intercultural Communication**

Cultural factors in interpersonal communication, such as perception, roles, language codes and nonverbal communication. Students will apply and evaluate theories of intercultural communication.

(Pre-requisites: ENGL 101/ENGL115)

## **Course Learning Outcomes:**

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Explain the various elements and dimensions of culture that impact communication.
- 2. Identify cultural conflicts (such as stereotyping, ethnocentrism, etc.) and different worldviews.
- 3. Describe how members of a culture attempt to understand, organize, and interpret the behaviors of others.
- 4. Explain how individuals can become competent in interpersonal communication settings with people from other cultures.
- 5. Apply fieldwork methods to investigate cultural (verbal and nonverbal) behaviours.
- 6. Reflect on one's own cultural identities and worldview in relation to intercultural contexts.
- 7. Work with guidance as a member of a team/s to complete a problem-based learning project.

## **Textbook & Course Materials:**

• Jandt, F. E. (2021). An introduction to intercultural communication: Identities in a global community (10<sup>th</sup> ed.). SAGE Publications.

## **Course Content:**

- 1. Intercultural Journal
- 2. Intercultural Field Experience
- 3. Social Justice Team Project