

RBSICI01H Intercultural Competence and Innovation

Course module	RBSICI01H
Credits (ECTS)	2
Category	SG (Student-driven track)
Course type	Elective at hogeschool level
Language of instruction	English
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Entry requirements:

No special entry requirements, only a genuine interest in being selected for the honours program.

Justification:

This course aims to provide students from different study programs, with an insight on what is needed for innovation, from a cultural point of view and in doing so, helps students decide whether our University's honours program is suitable for them.

Goals:

After successful completion of this course, the student has proven that he / she can:

- collaborate in group work (with students from different backgrounds)
- deliver a group presentation on the relation between innovation and intercultural competence
- reflect on the level of his / her personal intercultural competence
- pinpoint the decisive factors of innovation and intercultural competence
- reflect on his/her development of the Honours Programme's competence (specifically the collaborative working competency as part of the profile of Innovative Working, 'Learning to Innovate').

All of which using English as the language of communication.

Content:

During this 8 week course, the student:

- will learn what intercultural competence is
- how it can add to innovation processes
- how interculturally competent he / she is
- work together with other students from different backgrounds on a specific task
- carry out a small research (including an interview with an employee of an R&D department) on innovation and intercultural competence
- deliver a group presentation on the subject
- write an individual reflection report on his/ her own intercultural competence, that is specifically linked to the collaboration competency and the innovative attitude as part of the honours programme's competency profile

Instructional modes:

combination of lectures, practicals and groupwork

Test mode:

presentation, reflective report, active participation

Literature: Syllabus 'Intercultural Competence and Innovation'

Remarks: This elective is recommended for students that plan to participate in Honours programmes of Rotterdam University. Students that not intend to participate in the HP programme are welcome as well.