DM8002W  Intercultural Communication

This unit examines the ways people interact, negotiate, cooperate and understand one another across and between different cultures. It also explores the biblical and theological perspectives on language, culture and communication, as well as the necessity of appropriate and effective communication for successful intercultural engagement.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Analyse one's identity and one's own socio-cultural and religious context.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of different models of intercultural communication.
3. Articulate an understanding of the nature of signs, symbols and meanings.
4. Identify common culture characteristics and the impact on intercultural communication.
5. Articulate a biblical perspective on language and culture difference and the implications for cross-cultural engagement.
6. Evaluate levels of culture identification and the effect on intercultural relationships.
7. Identify common barriers to appropriate and effective cross-cultural communication.

Prerequisites:  Nil

Class Time:  Intensive (6 weekends – Friday evening and Saturday morning)

Assessment:
- One book review (1,500 words) (25%)
- One intercultural exercise reflection paper (1,500 words) (25%)
- One essay (3,000 words) (50%)

Faculty:  Ian Dicks

Offered:  2016: Intensive

Recommended Reading:
* = set texts recommended for purchase


