

Semester II

Second semester of Euroculture programme is more focused than the first semester. An important element in the second semester is the Methodology seminar (10 ECTS credits) and the Research seminars (8 ECTS credits).

Intensive Programme

Intensive Programme is one of the most interesting parts of the whole Euroculture programme. All first year students gather at one of the partner universities for one week of workshop, presentations and social meetings. Each year the IP is organized by one of the European partner university.

The IP has a study load of 5 ECTS credits. It provides students with a strong intercultural group experience. All Euroculture students from the partner universities meet with the international faculty staff (the staff of the organising university is joined by tutors of each of the European partner universities) during a ten-day intensive course at the end of the second semester. .



The IP is structured according to the four concepts mentioned above and its aim is to deepen the knowledge and understanding obtained during the two semesters by joint discussion and reflection. A 'career day', lectures by important scholars, project management, and workshops with relevant field experts also form part of the programme. Each year the IP is organised around an annual, topical theme.

All IPs intend to transfer the following generic competences to its participants:

- 1) the ability to work in a multicultural team in an interdisciplinary area**
- 2) reflect on one's own values and to question concepts, ideas and theories**
- 3) work with project design and management**

Furthermore, each participating student is required to write and present a paper.

The purpose of the writing of the IP paper, presenting it orally in a group, giving oral and written comments as a discussant of another student's paper, is to develop a number of generic and specific competences:

- 1) Conducting research on a suitable research topic**
- 2) Analysing, synthesising and applying relevant knowledge and theories from a variety of fields, including History, International Relations, Cultural and Media Studies, Politics, Philosophy and Sociology**
- 3) Organising complex research results in a coherent form;**
- 4) Planning and managing time effectively**
- 5) Communicating field-specific knowledge and insight in English through speaking and writing;**
- 6) Developing critical and self-critical abilities.**

In Olomouc, course Project/Intensive Programme is connected to the Intensive Programme as such. Main aim of the course is to help students to prepare for their IP paper and presentation, to give them feedback on their work and to prepare them for the IP.