

Global Window

The supplementary subject or restricted elective course “Global Window” promotes knowledge and skills in internationalisation and (inter)cultural competence. Based on a range of topics, such as mobility, multilingualism, identity, migration, flight and climate change, the course discusses interdependencies and addresses concepts of diversity, trans- and interculturality, digitalisation and internationalisation. In addition to the scientific analysis of exchange from the international to the local level, personal experiences are reflected.

Educational objectives

In this course, students will learn about academic approaches to internationalisation and (inter)cultural competence between the conflicting poles of globalisation and its impact on local conditions, and they will become aware of the importance and the effects of increasing plurality in all areas of life in historical, linguistic and cultural terms.

Prerequisites for attending

Global Window is recommended for Arts and Humanities BA students in their second semester or beyond. Students of the following BA programmes will be eligible to take this course, starting in the winter semester of 2020/21:

- BA Archaeology
- BA Medieval and Early Modern German Studies
- BA Classical Philology
- BA European Ethnology
- BA Slavic Languages, Literatures and Cultures

Starting from the winter semester of 2021/22, students of the following BA programmes will also be eligible for the course:

- BA Ancient History and Classical Antiquities
- BA History
- BA Art History

Registration

The courses needed for Global Window are defined in the respective curricula. Please register for the individual courses on UNIGRAZonline.

Frequency of the provision

The Global Window courses will be offered on a yearly basis.

Structure

Global Window consists of four modules. In total, 24 ECTS credits will be awarded for this supplementary subject (restricted elective course).

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Modules

Modules	Type of course	ECTS	Recom. sem.
Module 1: Theories on Inter- and Transculturality	VO	4	2 nd –4 th
Module 2: Mobile Culture Studies	VO	4	2 nd –4 th
Module 3: Globality/Culturality			
Historical Dimensions	VO/VU	4	2 nd –4 th
Linguistic Dimensions	VO/VU	4	2 nd –4 th
Ethical Dimensions	VO/VU	4	2 nd –4 th
Cultural Science Dimensions	VO/VU	4	2 nd –4 th

N.B. Module 3: You will need to take 2 courses/exams from Module 3, corresponding to a total of 8 ECTS credits.

Module 4: Mobility Experiences	Type of course	ECTS	Recom. sem.
Practical training abroad	PR	4–8	2 nd –3 rd
Domestic practical training with an intercultural focus	PR	4–8	2 nd –3 rd
Courses taken during a stay abroad (from the subject area of the BA or with an intercultural focus)	PR	4–8	2 nd –3 rd
Proseminar on “Researching intercultural experience”	PS	4	3 rd –4 th
Course(s) from Module 3	VO/VU	4–8	2 nd –4 th

N.B. Module 4:

- You will need to take courses/exams from Module 4 corresponding to a total of 8 ECTS credits.
- The following standards apply for the accreditation of the practical training: 4 ECTS points from the practical training correspond to 100 hours of employment. You either need to acquire exactly 4 or exactly 8 ECTS credits and you will need to do that in a row. For the accreditation of the practical training (abroad), fill in the form “Genehmigung der Absolvierung einer berufsorientierten/ fach einschlägigen Praxis” (“Approval for the completion of professionally oriented/ relevant practical training”). This form must be signed and accredited by the chair of the curricular committee before the training starts and confirmed by the institution/company after its completion.