

Common Module Cultural Awareness

Module Description

Country	Institution	Module	ECTS	
RO	Land Forces Academy	Cultural Awareness	2.0	
Minimum Qualification for Lecturers				
All	English: Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) Level B2 or NATO STANAG 6001 Level 3.			
Languages	Intercultural competence.Teaching experience related to the topic.			
English	 Adequate knowledge of international security Thorough knowledge of the topic taught and\or operational experience. 			
Competence area - Combat-Ready Role Model Learning area - Cultural awareness				
	Organisation level - Single Arm/Branch			
Prerequisites	for international participants			

- English: Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) Level B1 or NATO STANAG Level 2.
- Minimum of 1 year national (military) higher education.
- Good knowledge of national culture.
- Basic knowledge of military operations.
- Good presentation skills.

Goals of the Module

- Analyse cultural aspects of contemporary security environment and their influence on the effectiveness of military operations
- Integrate cultural dimensions and consider vulnerable categories of civilians in planning for military operations.

outcomes	Know- ledge	 Identify the maim approaches to cultural research and understanding in the contemporary security environment. Perform review of national and religious identities in military and civilian cultures
outc	Skills	Develop intercultural communication skills.
		• Deal with cultural differences and similarities in planning for military operations.
Learning		 Make decisions in coherence with cultural aspects of contemporary security environment.
Lea	R&A	 Demonstrate consideration of cultural dimensions and vulnerable categories of civilians in planning for military operations

Verification of learning outcomes

Observation:

Throughout the Module students are to discuss given topics within syndicates and in the plenary. During these work students are to be evaluated to verify their competences.

• Test:

Group and/or individual presentation(s) during the module. The type of the test is up to the Course Director. If needed, more tests may be conducted during the Module.

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Module Details			
Main Topic	Recommen- ded WH	e and depends on the course director decision) Details	
E-learning (Fundamentals of Cultural Awareness)	4	Basics of Cultural Research.Gender issues.	
E-learning Intercultural Communication)	6	Identify cultural differences and similarities.Recognise behaviour that could cause cultural offence.	
E-learning (Cultural Impacts to Operational Effectiveness)	2	 Understand the consequences of poor cultural interaction. 	
Fundamentals of Cultural Awareness	2	 Introduction to the Module. Basic knowledge of shared European culture and identity. Familiarisation of national and religious identities. Diversity of military and civilian cultures. Dress and identity. 	
Intercultural Communication	6	Introduction to intercultural communication skills.Students' presentations.	
Cultural Impacts to Operational Effectiveness	4	 Ability to advise superiors on cultural issues. Research and deliver content relevant to cultural matters. Professional and individual self-development relating to the topic. 	
Ļ	Additional hour	s to increase the learning outcomes	
Syndicate Work	10	To promote Cultural Awareness.To increase understanding of intercultural competences.	
Case studies and Discussions	16	 To illustrate the importance of cultural context in the conduct of military training and operations. Each case study includes a problem, discussion and proposed solutions. 	
Self-study	10	Preparation of a presentation on own culture.	
Total	60	The amount of hours for the use of the developed e-learning is up to the module director. He/she may replace the e- learning hours/topics with residential phases. The detailed amount of hours for the respective main topic is up to the course director according to national law or home institution's rules.	

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List of Abbreviations:

CEFRCommon European Framework of Reference for Languages ECTSEuropean Credit Transfer and Accumulation System EUEuropean Union IGImplementation group NATONorth Atlantic Treaty Organisation RORomania SPThe Strategic Partnership STANAGStandardization Agreement	B1, B2	Common Reference Levels
EUEuropean Union IGImplementation group NATONorth Atlantic Treaty Organisation RORomania SPThe Strategic Partnership	CEFR	Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
IG Implementation group NATO North Atlantic Treaty Organisation RO Romania SP	ECTS	European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System
NATO	EU	European Union
RO	IG	Implementation group
SP The Strategic Partnership	NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organisation
	RO	Romania
STANAGStandardization Agreement	SP	The Strategic Partnership
	STANAG	Standardization Agreement

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