

Languages and Intercultural Communication

Faculty of Translation Studies
Bachelor's study programme



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Study Programme Description

Name of the study programme in English	Languages and Intercultural Communication
Name of the study programme in Latvian	Valodas un starpkultūru komunikācija
Level of the study programme	Bachelor's Degree
Study time	3 years (6 semesters)
KP	120 (180 ECTS)
Type of the study programme	Full time studies
Education requirement	General secondary or vocational education
International tests and entrance examinations	Exam in English ¹
Tuition fee	2100 EUR per year ²
State funded places	Available ³

¹ if the applicant has not passed English language test of an international testing institution

²The tuition fee may be paid in two equal instalments, except for the first study year, which requires the tuition fee to be paid in full.

³ Only available to Applicants who are citizens of EU/EEA countries.

Study-aim

To train qualified experts on international communication for national and local government institutions.

To provide studies tailored to economic, cultural, and social needs.
To provide practically applicable academic studies which correspond to educational standards and are based on theoretical scientific foundations.

Study-Tasks

- To provide students with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills and abilities needed to provide professional intercultural communication services in sectors relevant for the national economy.
- To promote the competitiveness of graduates in changing socio-economic conditions and in the international labour market.
- To encourage acquisition of in-depth knowledge which provides an opportunity to independently develop research methodologies, to apply research methodologies in new fields, and to continue studies to achieve higher qualifications.
- To ensure conformity of educational quality with the level in European and other economically developed countries by improving methodological, scientific, material and technical support of the study process, increasing the

qualifications of lecturers, and promoting cooperation with other Latvian and foreign higher education institutions.

- To modify the content and teaching methods of the program in a timely manner in response to changes in the labour market and to accurately predict future changes.
- To establish a close link between studies and actual practices in multi-cultural companies.

Study programme content

No.	Title in English	Title in Latvian	ECTS
Compulsory Module		Obligātā daļa	130,5
1	Aspects of Intercultural Communication I	Starpkultūru komunikācijas aspekti I	3
2	Introduction into Intercultural Communication Studies and Speciality	Ievads starpkultūru komunikācijas studijās un specialitātē	3
3	Language as a Means of Business Communication I	Valoda kā lietišķās saziņas līdzeklis	3
4	Interpersonal Psychology	Starppersonu psiholoģija	3
5	Introduction into Theories of Public Relations	Ievads sabiedrisko attiecību teorijā	3
6	Aspects of Latvian in Intercultural Communication	Latviešu valoda starpkultūru aspektā	6
7	The English Language: Communication Aspects I	Angļu valoda: komunikācijas prasmes I	6
8	Cultural Studies	Kultūras studijas	6
9	Language Contrasts in Cultural Perspectives	Valodu sastatījums kultūraspektā	3
10	Methology of Applied Research in Enterprises and Institutions	Uzņēmumu un iestāžu lietišķie pētījumi	3
11	Politics and Economy of EU	ES politika un ekonomika	3
12	Sustainability of Society and "Green" thinking	Sabiedrības ilgtspēja un videi draudzīga domāšana	3
13	Academic Writing	Akadēmiskā angļu rakstu valoda	3
14	Media Communication in a Multicultural Environment	Plašsaziņas līdzekļu komunikācija multikulturālā vidē	6
15	Office Management	Lietvedība	3
16	Project Management	Projektu vadība	3
17	Internship	Prakse	12
18	Aspects of Intercultural Communication II	Starpkultūru komunikācijas aspekti II	3
19	Economic and Political Aspects of Entrepreneurship	Uzņēmējdarbības ekonomiskie un politiskie aspekti	3
20	Language as a Means of Business Communication II	Valoda kā lietišķās saziņas līdzeklis II	3
21	Public Speaking and Presentation Skills	Publiskā runa un prezentāciju prasmes	3

22	The English Language: Communication Aspects II	Angļu valoda: komunikācijas prasmes II	6
23	Introduction into Computer Sciences	Ievads datormācībā	3
24	Human Resources in Multicultural Environment	Cilvēkresursi multikulturālā vidē	6
25	International Business Law	Starptautiskās komerciesības	3
26	Business Ethics	Pārvaldības ētika	3
27	Decision Making	Lēmumu pieņemšana	3
28	Diplomatic Protocol	Diplomātiskais protokols	6
29	Civil Protection	Civilā aizsardzība	1,5
30	Bachelor Paper	Bakalaura darbs	15
Optional Module		Izvēles daļa	69
31	Russian as the First Foreign Language I	Krievu valoda kā pirmā svešvaloda I	3
32	French/Spanish as the Second Foreign Language II	Franču /spāņu valoda kā otrā svešvaloda II	6
33	German in Business Communication	Vācu valoda lietišķajā saziņā	6
34	Russian in Business Communication	Krievu valoda lietišķajā saziņā	6
35	Course of a Free Choice I	Brīvās izvēles kurss I	3
36	Russian as the First Foreign Language II	Krievu valoda kā pirmā svešvaloda II	6
37	Aspects of Latvian in Intercultural Communication II	Latviešu valoda starpkultūru aspektā II	6
38	French/Spanish as the Second Foreign Language I	Franču /spāņu valoda kā otrā svešvaloda I	6
39	French/Spanish as the Second Foreign Language III	French/ Spanish as the Second Foreign Language III	6
40	German in Business Communication II	German in Business Communication II	6
41	Russian in Business Communication II	Krievu valoda lietišķajā saziņā II/	6
42	Course of a Free Choice II	Brīvās izvēles kurss II	3
43	Professional and Legal English	Profesionālā un juridiskā angļu valoda	6
Total			199,5

How to apply

The candidate must complete the online application form <http://application.venta.lv/> and attach the following documents:

- **Documents of Secondary or Higher education.** The average grade should be at least 60%. Original documents in English, German, French or Russian may be submitted. All other languages must be translated into English. Translations need to be notary attested and certified.
- **IELTS (6.0 and over), TOEFL (PBT) 550 or (IBT) 70, London Language Test or Longman Language Test.** If the candidate has not passed an international English language test, the candidate ought to pass VUAS online English language test (achieving at least 60%) free of charge.
- **Curriculum Vitae** (resume);
- **A copy of the applicant's passport** (including a note "Submitted for use by Ventspils University of Applied Sciences", date and time);
- **One photo** 3 cm x 4 cm (JPEG format, not as a PDF)

Upon completing the online application form, the candidate should send a confirmation email to international@venta.lv before the application deadlines and confirm his/her willingness to pursue studies at Ventspils University of Applied Sciences.


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