Students will develop effective communicative skills that can be performed in various intercultural settings. Students will study a framework for understanding intercultural communication by focusing on four building blocks (culture, communication, context, and power) and four barriers to communication (ethnocentrism, stereotyping, prejudice, and discrimination). Students will analyze and discuss the challenges of intercultural communication in various contexts and cultural settings, and perform steps to understand and improve communication. Students will study the history of cultural issues in order to illustrate a greater understanding of their own identity and how identity is shaped by cultural practices, popular culture, and affiliation with their own co-cultures.

Intercultural Communication is a guaranteed transfer (GT) course in the SS3 category.