

COURSE SYLLABUS

1. Information about the programme

1.1 Higher Education	Babeş-Bolyai University
Institution	
1.2 Faculty	European Studies Faculty
1.3 Department	International Relations and German Studies
1.4 Field of study	International Relations and European Studies
1.5 Study level	MA
1.6 Programme of study/	Transatlantic Studies
Qualification	

2. Information about the discipline

2.1 Module		Cultural Diplomacy – Power, Influence and Reputation					
2.2 Course holder		Lecturer Gabriel Gherasim, PhD					
2.3 Seminar holder			Lecturer Gabriel Gherasim, PhD				
2.4 Year of study II 2.5 Semester		2	2.6. Type of	C.	2.7 Type of module ²	OB	
				assessment ¹			

3. Total estimated time (teaching hours per semester)

3.1 No. of hours per week	4	3.1 of which for	2	3.3 of which for	2
-		course		seminar	
3.4 Total no. of hours in the	48	3.5 of which for	24	3.6 of which for	24
curriculum		course		seminar	
Time distribution:					11
Study by using handbook, reader, bibliography and course notes				1	
Additional library/specialised online research, field research					1
Preparation of seminars/laboratories, homework, projects, portfolios and essays				1	
Tutoring				1	
Examinations				0,5	
Other activities:					

3.7 Total no. of hours for individual study	4,5
3.8 Total no. of hours per semester	63
3.9 No. of ETCS credit points	6

4. Prerequisites (where applicable)

4.1 of curriculum	• none
4.2 of competencies	• none

5. Conditions (where applicable)

¹ E - exam, ME - multi-term examinations, C - collocutional examination/assessment test

² OB - core module, OP - elective module, F - extracurricular module

5.1 For the development of	• none
the course	
5.2 For the development of	• none
the seminar/laboratory	

6. Specific skills acquired

Professional skills	 Assistance in the field of international cooperation Mediation between various interest and professional groups Facilitation of intercultural negotiation Management of international cultural relations
Interdisciplinary skills	 Meeting deadlines and carrying out tasks rigorously, efficiently and responsible, by respecting the ethical principles of scientific research and correctly applying citation rules Applying team building techniques; developing interpersonal communication, negotiation and diplomatic skills and taking on specific roles during team work on specific case studies

7. Course objectives (based on list of acquired skills)

7.1 General objective	The course propose a general introduction to the various strategies of promoting cultural diplomacy worldwide. Given the complex modalities and occurrences of cultural diplomacy, the aim of the class is that of familiarizing students with certain strategic views and practices in the field in relation to the topic of international relations. Case studies and effective approaches will exemplify the ways in which cultural diplomacy could contribute to better inter and multicultural relations.
7.2 Specific objectives	 familiarising the students with the most effective strategies of promoting cultural diplomacy; analysing some specific cases of cultural diplomacy approaches in recent political history and international relations.

8. Contents

8.1 Lecture	Teaching methods	Observations
1. Introduction. What is cultural diplomacy?	Interactive lecture	
Methodological considerations.		
2. Overview of American cultural diplomacy	Interactive lecture	
evolution and developments.		
3.Models and metaphors of cultural diplomacy in	Interactive lecture	
the post-war period: UNESCO, the Fulbright		
program and the Marshall Plan.		
4. Cultural diplomacy as imagology: American	Interactive lecture	
iconographies in the European public sphere.		
5. Grand Strategy as cultural diplomacy: the	Interactive lecture	
American case.		
6. Americanization as grand strategy in cultural	Interactive lecture	
diplomacy.		

7. Competing strategies of cultural diplomacy: Pax	Interactive lecture
Americana and Pax Europea.	
8. Propaganda for American Exceptionalism	Interactive lecture
through cultural diplomacy.	
9. The universal language of cultural diplomacy:	Interactive lecture
on the global world order idea.	
10. Cultural diplomacy and the political: on the	Interactive lecture
soft power strategy.	
11. Information Age and cultural diplomacy.	Interactive lecture
12. General recap of American public/ cultural	Interactive lecture
diplomacy in Europe in the twentieth century.	

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	Teaching methods	Observations
Week 1. Introduction: methodological considerations		
on the approach of cultural diplomacy in the		
transatlantic space.		
Week 2. Case study in cultural diplomacy: the		
creation of US Division of Cultural Relations (1938).		
Week 3. Case study in cultural diplomacy: the		
Fulbright program (1946).		
Week 4. Case study in cultural diplomacy: UNESCO,		
international cooperation and world public diplomacy.		
Week 5. Case study in cultural diplomacy: the		
Agency for International Development (1961) and the		
US human resources public diplomacy.		
Week 6. Case study in cultural diplomacy: the		
American Peace Corps (1961).		
Week 7. Project presentations. Analyses and		
discussions.		
Week 8. Project presentations. Analyses and		
discussions.		
Week 9. Project presentations. Analyses and		
discussions.		
Week 10. Project presentations. Analyses and		
discussions.		
Week 11. Project presentations. Analyses and		
discussions.		
Week 12. Project presentations. Analyses and		

discussions.	

9. The correspondence between the content of the course and the expectations of the academic community, professional associations and representative employers in the field:

Cultural and public diplomacy have been probably the most effective international resources in the service of global peace and promoting mutual cooperation between states. Recently, non-state actors, private institutions and NGOs have contributed to the ever growing role of cultural diplomacy in the world, so that, potentially, any public institution should be interested about and able to manage the more and more diverse aspects and strategies in the field.

10. Assessment

Type of activity	10.1 Assessment criteria	10.2 Assessment methods	10.3 Percentage of	
			the final grade	
10.4 Course	Based on course lectures,	Research paper	70%	
	the master students will			
	reflect upon the role and			
	impact of cultural			
	diplomacy in international			
	relations worldwide.			
10.5 Seminar	The students will present a	Oral presentations and	30%	
	research project which	discussions		
	forms the groundwork of			
	the final research paper to			
	be handed in at the end of			
	the semester.			
10.6 Minimum standard of performance				
Obtaining the minimal passing grade, 5.				

Date	Course holder signature	Seminar holder signature	
Date of departmental approval		Head of department signature	