



Stand-alone Summer Seminars 2020

Introduction to British Culture (Centre for Global Engagement)

There are a lot of stereotypes about what British culture is like in TV, movies and popular media. We offer a 2-hour session for our Summer School students to introduce Life in the UK – including tips & tricks for surviving a new and different culture! You'll learn the difference between zebra & pelican crossings, discover popular British foods, and learn some popular idioms & sayings, and much more.

Date: Monday, 13th of July 2020

Duration: 2 hours

Time: 16:00-18:00 BST

Intercultural Communications (Centre for Global Engagement)

This seminar is offered with a view to developing critical thinking and awareness of intercultural communication competence. Intercultural communication skills are recognised as valuable assets in the world of expanding global business. This seminar will help students develop a range of intercultural competences to work effectively with diverse teams to enhance opportunities for future careers or further study.

Date: Monday, 20th of July 2020

Duration: 2 hours

Time: 10:00-12:00 BST

Developing Argumentation in Academic Writing for UK Higher Education Contexts (Centre for Academic Writing)

In this seminar, we will work together to highlight new and existing argumentation practices and identify means to translate these practices to academic contexts. Argumentation is a key characteristic of academic writing in UK higher Education contexts, yet, for many, presenting arguments feels challenging. Writers identify issues with merging concepts like subjectivity, style, and register with their perceptions of effective and formal academic argumentation practices. Interestingly, outside of academic writing contexts, argumentation is a frequent and important facet of our day-to-day communications with which we generally engage with ease. Therefore, much of this challenge in argumentation relates not just to learning argumentation practices, but to transferring effective argumentation strategies, we already hold, to our academic writing. To address this challenge, this seminar will take an interactive approach in supporting your identification and development of effective argumentation practices for academic contexts.

Date: Monday, 27th of July 2020

Duration: 2.5 hours

Time: 10:00-12:30 BST