



Department of International Affairs

Virtual extracurricular trainings for students from partner universities

Universität Hamburg invites students from partner universities worldwide to participate in two virtual trainings:

• 10. & 11. June 2022, Fri & Sat 14:00-19:30 local time Hamburg (CET): training "Let's talk about Racism! Anti-Discrimination and Decolonisation" (in English language, together with German and international students).

Racism, colonial structures, and critical whiteness- we hear and read these terms everywhere, but do we really know what these stand for? What do they mean and how are they relevant to our personal daily lives? In this online workshop, we will deal with the origin of critical whiteness research, look at the colonial power category of race, trace its origin, and consider the effects of structural and institutional racism.

We will also hear about, discuss, and reflect on privileges. And we will address the discomfort that white people experience when confronted with (their own) racism (white fragility), as well as the need for empowerment strategies for people affected by racism. Through group exercise, video analysis, and discussion, we will become aware of our self-perception, question universal truths and stereotypes, and try to understand intersectional forms of discrimination, at the same time always practicing a change of perspective.

• 24. & 25. June 2022, Fri & Sat 12:00-17:30 local time Hamburg (CET): training "Transcultural Awareness" (in English language, together with German and international students).

As students, human beings, and individuals we belong to different social networks and groups. These groups depend, for example, on the locations we are born into and the places we study and live, on our (body-)specific identities and on our individual inclinations.

But are we actually aware of the imprints particular social groups have (had) on us? And what does this have to do with culture? What does culture have to do with communication? And how is communication and culture influenced by local politics, colonial history and global power imbalances?

These are some of the questions we want to pursue in our training of transcultural awareness.

The trainings are free of charge. The Zoom links will be send to all registered participants on the day of the events by e-mail. Our trainers accept up to 20 students in each training, 10 places are reserved for students from partner universities. **Please note:** applications will be accepted on "first come, first served" basis and take place at **German local time**.

For **registration**, please send an e-mail to Ms Annika Johannsen (annika.johannsen@uni-hamburg.de) by **May 20**.

Applicants will be informed at the end of May about acceptance into the program.