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# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course title:** 

### INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION AND LEADERSHIP

Level of higher education:

MASTER STUDIES

Field of study:

38.04.02. MANAGEMENT

Mode of study: FULL-TIME

Course syllabus is considered and approved by the Educational and Methodological Council of the Faculty of Economics (minutes  $N_{2}$ , date)

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Year (years) of enrollment: 2021 and forthcoming



## 1. Place and status of the course in the structure of the Master program

Course status: *obligatory* 

Trimester: 2<sup>nd</sup>

## 2. Course Prerequisites

This discipline is based on the knowledge and skills acquired as a result of studying following courses:

- Organizational behavior (in English),

— Foreign language.

## 3. Intended learning outcomes (ILO) of the course associated to the required competencies of the graduates

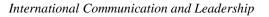
Competencies of graduates (codes)	Indicators of achievement of competencies	Intended learning outcomes of the course (module) associated to the required competencies of the graduates
UC-4. Capable of organizing	UC-4.I-1. Forms an effective team	UC-4.I-1.K-1. Knows the basic models of team building and factors
and managing the work of a		affecting the effectiveness of teamwork
team (group), developing and		UC-4.I-1.K-2. Knows the basic modern technologies of organizing
implementing a team strategy		the activities of teams, including virtual ones
to achieve the goal		UC-4.I-1.A-1. Able to distribute roles in a team taking into account
		the individual characteristics of the participants
		UC-4.I-1.A-2. Able to set a clearly formulated task for each team
		member, taking into account his/her role
		UC-4.I-1.A-3. Able to choose methods of organizing the work of the
		team, taking into account the specifics of the goal, time and other
		restrictions
		UC-4.I-1.A-4. Able to plan the work of the team to achieve its goals
		and assess the necessary resources
	UC-4.I-2. Coordinates and directs the	UC-4.I-2.K-1. Knows the basic methods of analyzing interaction in a
	activities of the team members to achieve	team
	the set goal, taking into account the	UC-4.I-2.K-2. Knows the basic principles and modern technologies
	peculiarities of the behavior of its	for the implementation of an effective communication process



	participants, time and other restrictions	UC-4.I-2.A-1. Able to maintain an atmosphere of cooperation and
		achievement of goals in the team, showing the value of each
		participant's contribution
		UC-4.I-2.A-2. Able to provide effective feedback to team members
		on intermediate and final results of work
		<b>UC-4.I-2.A-3.</b> Able to identify conflicts that arise in the process of
		teamwork, and constructively manage them
		UC-4.I-2.A-4. Able to use various types of communication to ensure
		effective interaction of team members, including virtual
UC-5. Capable of applying	UC-5.I-1. Compiles documents (letters,	UC-5.I-1.K-1. Knows the ways of using information and
modern communication	essays, abstracts, etc.) for academic and	communication technologies for collecting, storing, processing,
technologies, including ones in	professional interaction in accordance with	presenting and transmitting information
a foreign language (foreign	the norms of Russian and foreign	<b>UC-5.I-1.K-1.</b> Able to find and analyze the information necessary for
languages), for academic and	languages	the qualitative performance of academic and professional tasks and
professional interaction		the achievement of professionally significant goals, including ones in
-		a foreign language
		UK-5.I-1.A-2. Able to compose, edit in Russian and/or a foreign
		language, perform a correct translation from a foreign language into
		Russian and from Russian into a foreign language of various
		academic and professional texts
	UC-5.I-2. Presents the results of academic	UC-5.I-2.K-1. Knows the basic concepts of the organization of
	and professional activities at events of	interpersonal interaction in the information environment
	various formats, including international	UC-5.I-2.A-1. Able to establish and develop academic and
	ones	professional contacts, including in the international environment, in
		accordance with the goals, objectives and conditions of activity
	UC-5.I-3. Participates in academic and	UC-5.I-3.A-1. Able to perceive and analyze information in Russian
	professional discussions, including in a	and foreign languages in the process of academic and professional
	foreign language(s)	interaction
		UC-5.I-3.A-2. Able to conduct academic and professional
		discussions in Russian and/or a foreign language, arguing for their
		positions and ideas
UC-6. Able to analyze and take	UC-6.I-1. Has an idea of the essence and	UC-6.I-1.A-1. Knows the methods of analysis and consideration of
into account the diversity of	principles of the analysis of cultural	the diversity of cultures in the process of intercultural interaction



cultures in the process of	diversity in the process of intercultural	UC-6.I-1.K-2. Knows the norms of intercultural interaction taking
intercultural interaction	interaction	into account the diversity of cultures
	UC-6.I-2. Demonstrates the ability to	UC-6.I-1.A-1. Able to analyze the diversity of cultures in the process
	analyze and take into account the diversity	of intercultural interaction
	of cultures in the process of intercultural	<b>UK-6.I-1.A-2.</b> Able to build intercultural interaction taking into
	interaction	account the diversity of cultures
GPC-4. Capable of managing	GPC-4.I-1. Organizes project and process	<b>GPC-4.I-1.K-1.</b> Knows approaches to organizing project and process
project and process activities in	activities with the use of modern	activities, business modeling
an organization with the use of	management practices, leadership and	GPC-4.I-1.A-1. Able to manage project and process activities
modern management practices,	communication skills	applying modern management practices, as well as leadership and
leadership and communication		communication skills
skills, identifying and	GPC-4.I-2. Develops strategies for the	GPC-4.I-2.K-1. Knows modern approaches to the start-up and
evaluating new market	development of innovative activities of an	development of innovative activities of organizations
opportunities, developing	organization	<b>GPC-4.I-2.A-1.</b> Able to identify promising areas of innovative
strategies for the start-up and		activities and develops strategies for their development
development of innovative		
activities and corresponding		
business models of		
organizations		
<b>PC-7.</b> Capable of assessing the	<b>PC-7.I-1.</b> Conducts an analysis of the	PC-7.I-1.K-1. Knows the goals and objectives of information
information needs of an	information needs of an organization	management, causes of information needs, methods for studying
organization, preparing		information needs
analytical materials for the		<b>PC-7.I-1.A-1.</b> Able to analyze information needs and determine
examination of management		requests for information and analytical support of an organization
processes		<b>PC-7.I-2.A-2.</b> Able to prepare materials that reveal the information
		needs of an organization for the examination of management
		processes
<b>PC-8.</b> Capable of conducting	PC-8.I-1. Conducts examination of	<b>PC-8.I-1.K-1</b> . Knows the methods and principles of conducting
examination of management	management processes	examination of management processes
processes, preparing an expert		<b>PC-8.I-2.A-1</b> . Able to evaluate the effectiveness of the organization's
opinion with provision of		management processes
recommendations	PC-8.I-2. Presents the results of	PC-8.I-2.K-1. Knows current forms of presenting the results of
	examination of the organization's	examination of management processes





	management processes with provision of	PC-8.I-2.A-1. Able to develop recommendations for improving the
	recommendations	efficiency of management processes based on the analysis conducted
PC-11. Capable of	<b>PC-11.I-1.</b> Conducts an analysis of factors	<b>PC-11.I-1.A-1.</b> Able to collect and process information necessary to
independently creating models	of the external and internal environment of	analyze the external and internal environment of a particular
and algorithms for typical and	a specific functional unit and an	functional unit and an organization as a whole
non-standard organizational	organization as a whole	
and managerial tasks to	PC-11.I-2. Develops models and	<b>PC-11.I-2.A-1.</b> Able to apply main methods of analysis and
optimize the internal	algorithms for standard and non-standard	modeling of managerial decisions under uncertainty and in lack of
environment and to adapt to	organizational and managerial decisions	information
the requirements of the		<b>PC-11.I-2.A-2.</b> Able to develop and justify effective organizational
external environment of a		and managerial decisions considering the requirements of the external
particular functional unit and		and internal environment
an organization as a whole		
<b>SPC-1.</b> Capable of managing	<b>SPC-1.I-1.</b> Manages teams considering the	<b>SPC-1.I-1.A-1</b> . Able to analyze managerial situations that arise in
multicultural teams in	multicultural diversity of their participants	multicultural teams
organizations with different	in organizations / companies of various	SPC-1.I-1.A-2. Able to develop strategies for managing talent and
forms of ownership and	forms of ownership	diversity in diversity teams
communicating efficiently in	<b>SPC-1.I-2.</b> Carries out effective	SPC-1.I-2.A-1. Able to negotiate in foreign languages considering
foreign languages in the	communication in foreign languages when	cross-cultural differences and peculiarities of corporate cultures of
process of international activity	solving professional tasks related to	various foreign countries, and evaluate their influence on the external
	international business activities	environment
		SPC-1.I-2.A-2. Able to adapt leadership and managerial styles to the
		characteristics of cross-cultural organizations

### 4. Workload of the course by types of activity

The workload of the discipline is 3 ECTS: 108 academic hours, including 52 academic hours of contact work with a professor, 56 academic hours of self-directed studies.

- 5. Learning format: full-time, with the use of educational platform On. Econ and distant learning technologies (Zoom)
- 6. Content of the course structured by topics (sections) indicating the number of academic hours allocated to them and types of training



Title and brief content of sections and topics of	Total				Inclue	ling			
the course (module), Form of assessment for the course (module)	(hours)	Contact work (work in contact with a professor) Types of contact work, hours			<b>Student self-directed studies</b> <i>Types of self-directed studies, hours</i>				
		Seminars	Group consultations	Individual consultations	Total	Practical homework	Written Examination	Final group project	Total
Topic 1. Overview of Leadership	16	4	_	4	8	4	2	2	8
Topic 2. Leadership Theories	16	4	-	4	8	4	2	2	8
Topic 3. Leadership and Trust	16	4	2	2	8	4	2	2	8
Topic 4. International Communications	16	4	2	2	8	4	2	2	8
Topic 5. National Cultures and Communication	16	4	2	2	8	4	2	2	8
Topic 6. International Communications and Collaboration	16	4	2	2	8	4	2	2	8
Midterm assessment (control): — Defense of final projects	12	4	-	-	4	-	-	8	8
Total	108	28	8	16	52	24	12	20	56

### **Brief content of the course topics**

### **Topic 1. Overview of Leadership**

1.1. Introduction to the discipline. Formation of teams for final projects.1.2. What is leadership? Why is it important reaching goals?

1.3. Difference between a manager and a leader

### Main Literature:

Peter G. Northouse, Leadership, Theory and Practices, Sage Publications, 2013. - Chapter 1.

## **Topic 2. Leadership Theories**



- 2.1. Examine Contingency theory of leadership
- 2.2. Leadership Models
- 2.3. Adapting leadership roles to different circumstances
- 2.4. "Follow the Leader" or the rise from within the group

### Main Literature:

Peter G. Northouse, Leadership, Theory and Practices, Sage Publications, 2013. - Chapters 2, 3, 4.

## **Topic 3. Leadership and Trust**

- 3.1. Trust an essential characteristic for a leader
- 3.2. How do leaders build and maintain trust?
- 3.3. Does a trusted leader bring value to the organization?

## Main Literature:

Peter G. Northouse, Leadership, Theory and Practices, Sage Publications, 2013. - Chapter 13.

## **Topic 4. International Communications**

- 4.1. Concepts of communications
- 4.2. Types of Communications: Internal vs External, Policy vs Public Relations
- 4.3. Stakeholder Communications using Mendelow Matrix
- 4.4. Communications Regulations Elon Musk example

### **Topic 5. National Cultures and Communication**

5.1. Using the G.L.O.B.E study and earlier research by Gert Hoftsede address the importance of cultural awareness in effective communications.

- 5.2. Cross cultural awareness via student scenarious
- 5.3. The challenges of successful international business based on communication differences

### Main Literature:

Robert J House et al., Culture, Leadership, and Organizations, The GLOBE Study of 62 Societies, Sage Publications, 2004. – Chapters 1, 2, 3 Geert Hofstede, Culture and Organizations: Software of the Mind, McGraw Hill, 2010. – Chapters 1, 2 Peter G. Northouse, Leadership, Theory and Practices, Sage Publications, 2013. – Chapter 16.

## **Topic 6. International Communication and Collaboration**

- 6.1. Corporate challenges to have global collaborations with external service providers
- 6.2. Overcoming communications barriers to international projects, joint ventures

## Main Literature:

Geert Hofstede, Culture and Organizations: Software of the Mind, McGraw Hill, 2010. – Chapter 11.



# 7. Assessment tools to assess the course learning outcomes

# 7.1. Sample assessment tools:

Learning outcomes of the course	Types of assessment tools
UC-4.I-1.K-1. Knows the basic models of team building and factors affecting the effectiveness of teamwork	<ul> <li>Participation in discussions</li> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Written Examination</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
UC-4.I-1.K-2. Knows the basic modern technologies of organizing the activities of teams, including virtual ones	<ul> <li>Participation in discussions</li> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Written Examination</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
<b>UC-4.I-1.A-1.</b> Able to distribute roles in a team taking into account the individual characteristics of the participants	<ul><li>Practical homework</li><li>Defense of the final group project</li></ul>
UC-4.I-1.A-2. Able to set a clearly formulated task for each team member, taking into account his/her role	<ul><li>Practical homework</li><li>Defense of the final group project</li></ul>
<b>UC-4.I-1.A-3.</b> Able to choose methods of organizing the work of the team, taking into account the specifics of the goal, time and other restrictions	<ul><li>Practical homework</li><li>Defense of the final group project</li></ul>
UC-4.I-1.A-4. Able to plan the work of the team to achieve its goals and assess the necessary resources	<ul><li>Practical homework</li><li>Defense of the final group project</li></ul>
UC-4.I-2.K-1. Knows the basic methods of analyzing interaction in a team	<ul> <li>Participation in discussions</li> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Written Examination</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
UC-4.I-2.K-2. Knows the basic principles and modern technologies for the implementation of an effective communication process	<ul> <li>Participation in discussions</li> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Written Examination</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>



UC-4.I-2.A-1. Able to maintain an atmosphere of cooperation and achievement of goals in the team,	Participation in discussions
showing the value of each participant's contribution	Practical homework
	Defense of the final group project
UC-4.I-2.A-2. Able to provide effective feedback to team members on intermediate and final results of	Participation in discussions
work	Practical homework
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-4.I-2.A-3. Able to identify conflicts that arise in the process of teamwork, and constructively	Participation in discussions
manage them	Practical homework
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-4.I-2.A-4. Able to use various types of communication to ensure effective interaction of team	Participation in discussions
members, including virtual	Practical homework
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-5.I-1.K-1. Knows the ways of using information and communication technologies for collecting,	Participation in discussions
storing, processing, presenting and transmitting information	Practical homework
	Written Examination
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-5.I-1.K-1. Able to find and analyze the information necessary for the qualitative performance of	Practical homework
academic and professional tasks and the achievement of professionally significant goals, including ones	• Defense of the final group project
in a foreign language	Defense of the final group project
UK-5.I-1.A-2. Able to compose, edit in Russian and/or a foreign language, perform a correct translation	Practical homework
from a foreign language into Russian and from Russian into a foreign language of various academic and	• Defense of the final group project
professional texts	
UC-5.I-2.K-1. Knows the basic concepts of the organization of interpersonal interaction in the	Participation in discussions
information environment	Practical homework
	Written Examination
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-5.I-2.A-1. Able to establish and develop academic and professional contacts, including in the	Participation in discussions
international environment, in accordance with the goals, objectives and conditions of activity	Practical homework
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-5.I-3.A-1. Able to perceive and analyze information in Russian and foreign languages in the process	Participation in discussions
of academic and professional interaction	Practical homework



	• Defense of the final group project
UC-5.I-3.A-2. Able to conduct academic and professional discussions in Russian and/or a foreign	Participation in discussions
language, arguing for their positions and ideas	Practical homework
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-6.I-1.A-1. Knows the methods of analysis and consideration of the diversity of cultures in the	Participation in discussions
process of intercultural interaction	Practical homework
	Written Examination
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-6.I-1.K-2. Knows the norms of intercultural interaction taking into account the diversity of cultures	Participation in discussions
	Practical homework
	Written Examination
	• Defense of the final group project
UC-6.I-1.A-1. Able to analyze the diversity of cultures in the process of intercultural interaction	Participation in discussions
	Practical homework
	• Defense of the final group project
UK-6.I-1.A-2. Able to build intercultural interaction taking into account the diversity of cultures	Participation in discussions
	Practical homework
	• Defense of the final group project
GPC-4.I-1.K-1. Knows approaches to organizing project and process activities, business modeling	Participation in discussions
	Practical homework
	Written Examination
	• Defense of the final group project
GPC-4.I-1.A-1. Able to manage project and process activities applying modern management practices,	Practical homework
as well as leadership and communication skills	• Defense of the final group project
GPC-4.I-2.K-1. Knows modern approaches to the start-up and development of innovative activities of	Participation in discussions
organizations	Practical homework
	Written Examination
	• Defense of the final group project
GPC-4.I-2.A-1. Able to identify promising areas of innovative activities and develops strategies for	Practical homework
their development	• Defense of the final group project
<b>PC-7.I-1.K-1.</b> Knows the goals and objectives of information management, causes of information needs,	Participation in discussions



methods for studying information needs	<ul> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Written Examination</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
<b>PC-7.I-1.A-1.</b> Able to analyze information needs and determine requests for information and analytical support of an organization	<ul> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
<b>PC-7.I-2.A-2.</b> Able to prepare materials that reveal the information needs of an organization for the examination of management processes	<ul><li>Practical homework</li><li>Defense of the final group project</li></ul>
<b>PC-8.I-1.K-1</b> . Knows the methods and principles of conducting examination of management processes	<ul> <li>Participation in discussions</li> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Written Examination</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
PC-8.I-2.A-1. Able to evaluate the effectiveness of the organization's management processes	<ul> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
<b>PC-8.I-2.K-1</b> . Knows current forms of presenting the results of examination of management processes	<ul> <li>Participation in discussions</li> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Written Examination</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
<b>PC-8.I-2.A-1.</b> Able to develop recommendations for improving the efficiency of management processes based on the analysis conducted	<ul> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
<b>PC-11.I-1.A-1.</b> Able to collect and process information necessary to analyze the external and internal environment of a particular functional unit and an organization as a whole	<ul> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
<b>PC-11.I-2.A-1.</b> Able to apply main methods of analysis and modeling of managerial decisions under uncertainty and in lack of information	<ul><li>Practical homework</li><li>Defense of the final group project</li></ul>
<b>PC-11.I-2.A-2.</b> Able to develop and justify effective organizational and managerial decisions considering the requirements of the external and internal environment	<ul><li>Practical homework</li><li>Defense of the final group project</li></ul>
<b>SPC-1.I-1.A-1</b> . Able to analyze managerial situations that arise in multicultural teams	<ul> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
SPC-1.I-1.A-2. Able to develop strategies for managing talent and diversity in diversity teams	<ul> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>
<b>SPC-1.I-2.A-1.</b> Able to negotiate in foreign languages considering cross-cultural differences and peculiarities of corporate cultures of various foreign countries, and evaluate their influence on the	<ul> <li>Practical homework</li> <li>Defense of the final group project</li> </ul>



external environment	
SPC-1.I-2.A-2. Able to adapt leadership and managerial styles to the characteristics of cross-cultural	Practical homework
organizations	• Defense of the final group project

#### 7.2. Course assessment criteria (scores):

Types of assessment tools	Score
1. Participation in discussions	35
2. Practical homework	35
3. Written Examination	50
4. Defense of the final group project	30
Total	150

### 7.3. Grade for the course is determined based on the following criteria:

Grade	Minimum score	Maximum score
Excellent	127,5	150,0
Good	97,5	127,0
Satisfactory	60,0	97,0
Failed	0,0	59,5

**Note:** in case a student's score obtained during the trimester is less than 20% of the maximum score of the discipline, the following rule of passing the course should be applied at the midterm assessment (and further re-examination): 'a student can obtain only a satisfactory mark and only in case she/he receives for the midterm assessment, including all the course material, no less than 85% of the score allocated to this assessment'.

### 7.4. Typical tasks and other materials necessary to assess the learning outcomes:

### - Written Examination

The examination is based on all the material examined before it and can include both theoretical and practical questions. To pass the examination successfully students are required not only to study the materials of contact lessons, but also recommended literature. Sample questions:

1. Identify at least five types of stakeholders and why it is important for the organization to communicate with them.



- 2. What is the principle reason for failed communications and what is the recognized way to significantly improve the success of communications?
- 3. Managers and Leaders are different in their essential outlook and reaction to business. Describe the 5 following differences between a Leader and a Manager in the following spheres.
- 4. Identify and explain Leadership Traits

### - Participation in discussions

Sample issues to be discussed:

- 1. What are the current research problems facing business leaders?
- 2. What are the communication challenges in international business?
- 3. How are communications and leadership interrelated?
- 4. Can we learn from recognized leaders or is there a danger in emulating them?
- 5. Can local culture and international communications coexist?

### - Practical homework

Sample tasks:

- Prepare a brief literature review on the topics such as: Transparency, Culture vs Communications, Leaders taking risks
- Prepare an essay identifying current trends in leadership and communications, both successes and failures, found in the business press.

### - Final Group Project

Presentation of a leader assigned explaining why and how the leader has been recognized. Only business leaders are used for reference.

### 7.5. Methodological guidelines and assignment requirements:

All assignments must be completed in strict accordance with the requirements set out at the course page at the educational platform On. Econ.

### 8. Resources

## 8.1. List of main and additional literature

### Main literature:

- 1. Robert J House et al., Culture, Leadership, and Organizaions, The GLOBE Study of 62 Societies, Sage Publications, 2004
- 2. Geet Hofstede, Culture and Organizations: Software of the Mind, McGraw Hill, 2010



3. Peter G. Northouse, Leadership, Theory and Practices, Sage Publications, 2013

### Additional literature:

- 1. David A Griffith, The role of communication competencies in international business relationship development, Journal of World Business, 2002
- 2. Fred C. Lunenburg, Leadership versus Management: A key distinction, International Journal of Management, Business, and Administration, Vol.14, 2011

## **Periodicals and Journals:**

- Harvard Business Review
- The New York Times
- International Journal of Management, Business and Administration.

## 8.2. List of licensed software

Package of Software 'Microsoft Office'.

## 8.3. List of professional databases and information referral systems

Institutional subscription resources of the Faculty of Economics, MSU.

# **8.4.** List of Internet resources (if necessary)

- -<u>http://hbr.org/</u>
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/business

# 8.5. Description of material and technical support

For the appropriate organization of classes, the following equipment is needed:

- 'ON.ECON' electronic educational information environment of the Faculty of Economics, Lomonosov Moscow State University
- multimedia class with a video projector, Internet access
- Institutional subscription resources of the Faculty of Economics, MSU.
- 9. Language of instruction: *English*



10. Professors: Gerald Rohan.

11. Syllabus authors: Gerald Rohan.